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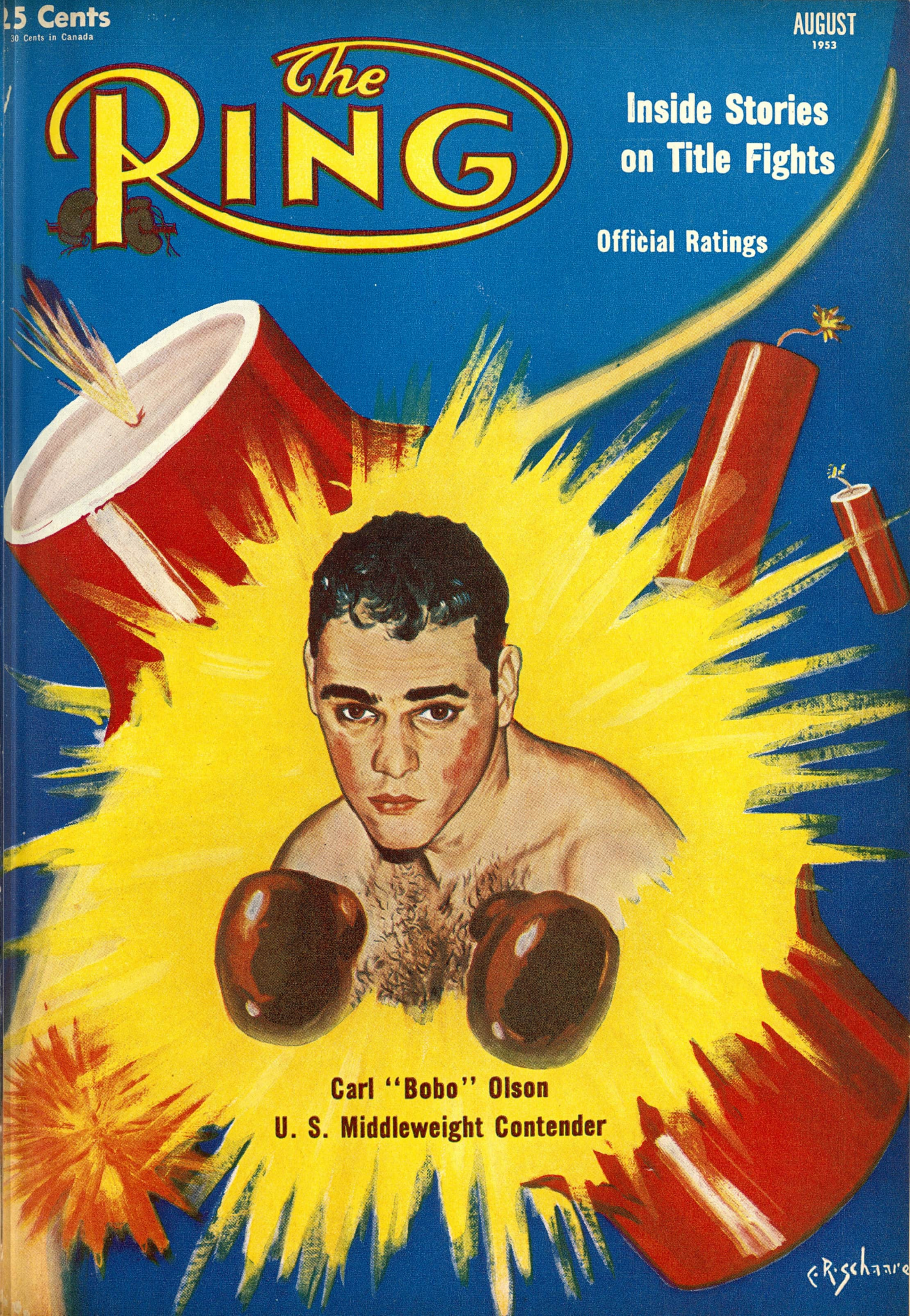

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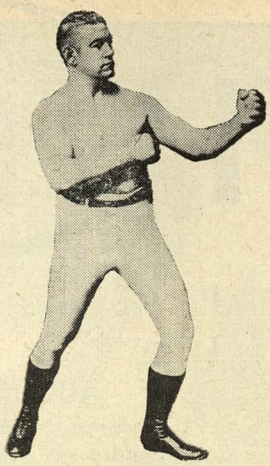

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The big fight to determine who will represent the U. S. against Randy Turpin, for world middleweight honors, will be reported in the September RING. Will it be Carl (Bobo) Olson or Paddy Young? Ringside report and action shots will completely cover this elimination contest.

What about the big heavyweight fight coming up in the late summer? What are the chances of anyone beating Marciano this year? Is he likely to reign for a long long time, as did his predecessor Joe Louis? Dan Daniel will bring what the experts think.

An issue of action fights and loads of photos. Archie Moore, light-heavyweight champion of the world and Joey Maxim fight it out for that title. As usual THE RING will bring a ringside report of the fight with all the facts and what the future holds for the light-heavyweight class.

A new section will be added to THE RING on the fighters who are the prospects likely to be seen on TV, or the favorites who have become established with the televiewer. Photos, life stories and anecdotes of interest, will be the order of the day.

THE RING staff will be canvassed for a cross section of opinion by the experts on such questions as: How hard does Marciano hit as compared with Dempsey, Louis, Fitzsimmons or Jeffries? How does he compare in stamina, ability to take a punch, to box? A hot issue packed with everything fight fans want—from facts to rumors, with a galaxy of photos.

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Carter, The Old Pro

Winner and Still Champion! Jimmy Carter, a methodical, perservering titleholder, retained his crown with a thirteen-round knockout of of Providence, R. I., challenger, George Araujo. Left to right are: Johnny Addie, ring announcer; George Araujo, the defeated challenger; Carter, still champ; and beaming Willie Ketchum, the victor's manager.

By NAT LOUBET

AFTER two minutes and sixteen seconds of the thirteenth round Jimmy Carter, lightweight champion of the world, from New York, had conclusively proved what the gang around cauliflower row knew to be fact . . . that the champ was one of the best all-around ring mechanics to grace a ring in recent years.

It took the slow-moving, mechanical Carter just that long to pound George Araujo into submission. The early rounds were mostly Araujo's by virtue of a lightning jab and combinations thrown while moving with deceptive speed and grace of limb.

The lad from Providence was all that was claimed for him . . . a phantom with a million stings. Unfortunately, he lacked the punch that was to be expected of a fighter with thirty knockouts in fifty-three fights. Throughout the first eight rounds Araujo had the better of the milling, but it was obvious that Carter was fighting a methodical battle, pacing himself, attempting to wear down his opponent by a jolting left jab that had all of his body behind it and was thrown a la Joe Louis. Carter stalked onward toward the flashy Araujo, in a slow, sliding motion, covering a circle of small dimensions while the challenger covered all of the ring as he danced, turned and twisted to keep out of the way of Carter's heavy weapons.

WITH the fight very close going into the ninth, and anything but exciting up to that point, one fan sitting immediately to my rear repeatedly exclaimed "Run, George, Run". George did, piling up points as he moved backward, almost as fast as Jesse Owens used to move in the opposite direction.

The hard body blows and jabs to the head, thrown by Carter had their time of reckoning. Slowly, almost imperceptably, Araujo could be seen to slow down.

In the sixth round Carter began to get off, land with special effectiveness to the body. The old pro was beginning to even matters up with the presumptious youngster, who came into the ring as an 8-5 favorite over the champ.

Along the way Carter picked up a cut over his right eye, but it never became a factor in the bout.

With the bell opening the ninth Araujo was beginning to slow down to the point where he had no choice but to hold his ground and attempt to outpunch the champ.

Carter, with many a fifteen-round bout under his wing since he won the title in this same ring from Ike Williams on May 25, 1951, by a 14-round kayo, had paced himself, while the inexperienced Araujo ran out of gas and without gas he could go nowheres.

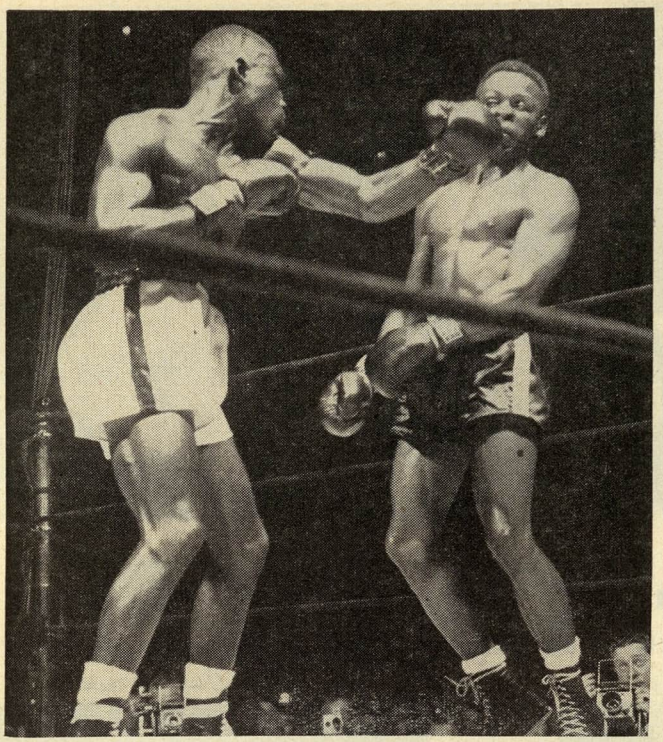
It was evident throughout the entire fight that should Araujo be forced to slow his pace and stand up to Carter and punch it out that the champ was the one with the power and not Araujo.

Built like a welterweight, Carter is solid from toe to head, a durable, slow moving force that allowed the challenger's punches to rain off his face and body without once slowing his steady onward shuffle.

With great patience, both Carter and the 7,132 fans, who paid a gross of some $36,511, waited for the time when Araujo would stop and fight.

IT is not interesting to watch a slow man attempt to catch a fast one and eight rounds went this way. But after two minutes had elapsed in the ninth, Carter managed to land a powerful right hand thrown from a distance, which was directed to Araujo's head and landed with a swish on his left ear. Carter had staggered his man and sensing the kill, moved in with a two-fisted barrage to the body that culminated in a clinch and Araujo going to the canvas half from the effects of the blows and half wrestled.

Araujo got up without taking a count and was met with a solid right to the head that sent him down again. Showing either a lack of experience, or a marked hazziness of mind, he jumped to his feet instead of taking a count. At the bell



On the Tip of Your Toes. Jimmy Carter, the champ, does just that to George Araujo, with a hard left to the jaw, during their battle at Madison Square Garden. When Carter started to land with these blows, the bout was over.

he was in serious trouble and only the round ending when it did, saved him from hitting the floor for a ten count.

The tenth round was a contest to see whether "Run, George, Run!" could outmaneuver the big guns of small "mo" Carter. Two hands reached for the moving shadow of the challenger. Time and time again he was hit but always he managed to dance his way out of a corner or away from becoming pinned against the ropes. He got on a bicycle and pedaled sufficiently fast to last the round and recuperate, gaining back a good deal of his strength.

The bout at this point had interest. There was a feeling of suspense in the air that always permeates an arena when the crowd senses a kill.

WITH the eleventh, Araujo seemed to have shaken off most of the effects of his ninth round drubbing and surprisingly enough was once again the speedster of the early rounds. He looked like a tiger in a gym, shadow boxing. He made more moves and wasted more strength by hopping, if gracefully, gliding in fantastic dance-like steps that belonged more in a dime-a-dance joint than in a ring. Could any man waste as much energy and get away with it?

The answer was not long in coming. With the start of the thirteenth round Araujo had tried. He was unable to continue his ballet routine and stood there waiting for the destruction that was moving forward to engulf him.

For over half the round the challenger electrified the crowd by outpunching the champ, by standing toe-to-toe with him and giving more and better than he received. These were fast punches to the head and body thrown in flurries by both, but not punches thrown with the care of a knockout blow.

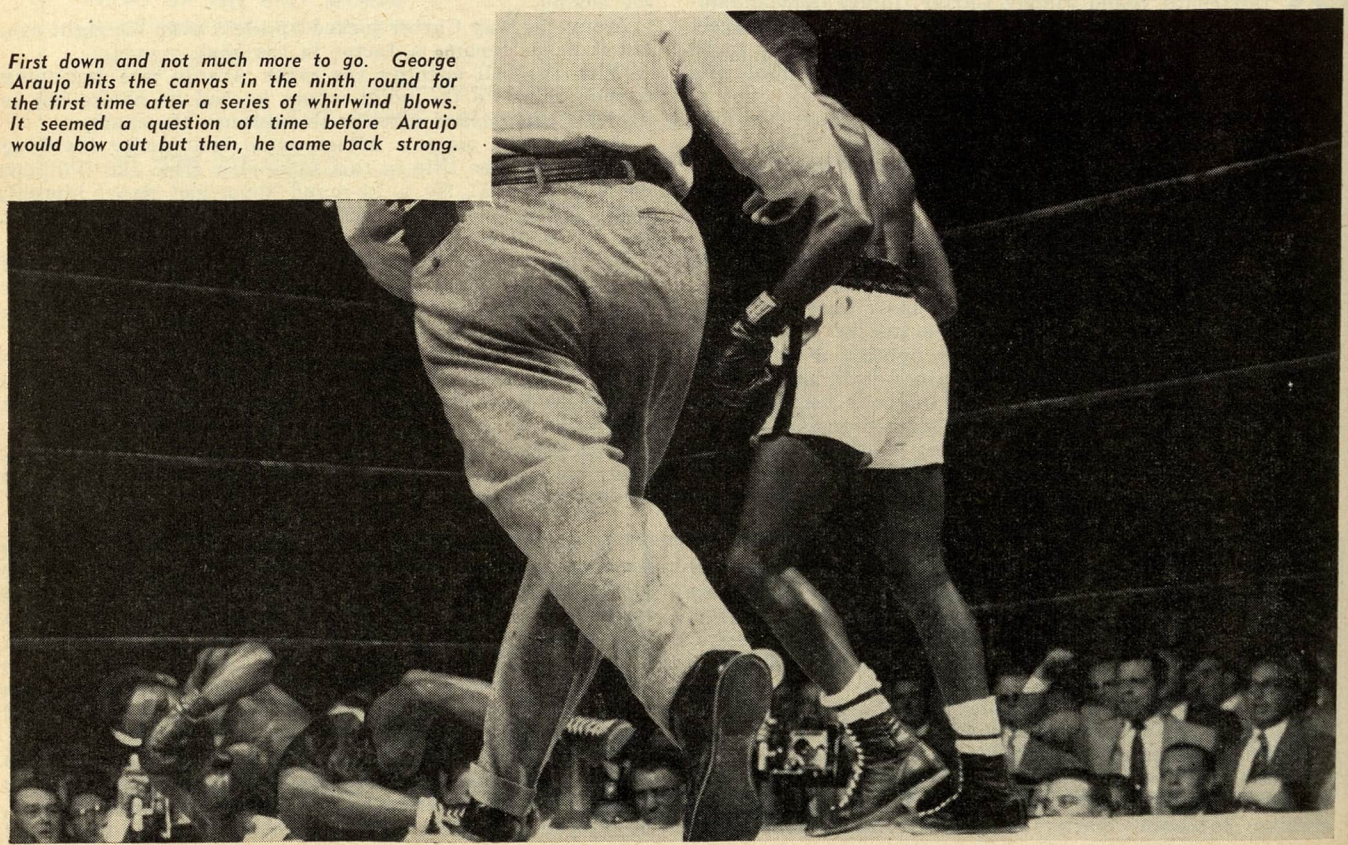
The Araujo Kid had come back! Then it happened. In the midst of the punching exchanges Carter drew back a step and crouched. He moved to the left a half step and threw his right as he moved. It landed on the left side of Araujo's face and as he fell we, at the ringside, knew it was all over. His eyes were glazed and it was obvious that should he get to his feet that he would only have a beating administered to him such as Tommy Collins had received from the champ in his recent Boston bout.

It was to referee Al Berl's credit that he was aware of the situation and instead of allowing Araujo to be dropped ten times, as Collins had been, that he stepped in at 2:16 and halted the contest. The referee didn't even take up the count and it was clear that there was no reason for him to.

Carter weighed 135 to Araujo's 132½.

FINANCIALLY Carter did very well, gaining some $32,000 as his 42½ per cent of the purse. Araujo was not too badly off with $13,000 obtained on a 17½ per cent pay off. The

First down and not much more to go. George Araujo hits the canvas in the ninth round for the first time after a series of whirlwind blows. It seemed a question of time before Araujo would bow out but then, he came back strong.



receipts were augmented by $50,000 paid for TV rights.

As an aftermath to the fight the announcement by the Carter camp that the champ was seriously considering moving in on Kid Gavilan and the welterweight scene reminded fans of the recent situation with Ray Robinson.

Robinson had been called the uncrowned champ for a long time prior to his winning the welterweight title in his bout with Tommy Bell at the Garden. Unfortunately, in his campaigning he knocked off all his worthy opponents before he got his title shot and it was quickly obvious to all that he was so far ahead of all his challengers that there was no objective in fighting them . . . not even financial . . . since the fans will not pay to see a one-sided bout.

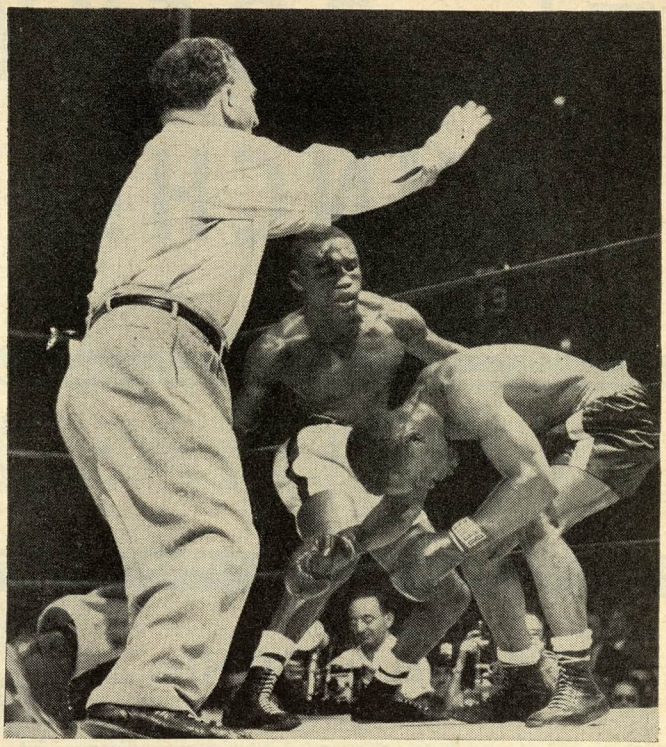
So Robby went into the middleweight class, cleaned that up pretty thoroughly and then started out on the light-heavies and was way out in front on points, in his battle with Joey Maxim, for that crown when the heat and the fast pace lost him his chance for light-heavy honors.

Robby was slowing up and on his way over the hill. With no one to fight except Randolph Turpin, he decided that it was time to pack up and go into the private life of an entertainer.

THIS is nothing new and has happened repeatedly in the ring. Apparently it is happening again. Carter has run out of opponents among the lightweights and his advisors feel that among the welterweights is a completely new field. Of course, they want a fight with Gavilan for the crown before they start mixing it with the Turner's, Saxton's, Basilio's, Graham's and others in the welter division.

That Carter is a superb machine, who does most things expected of a good fighter better than well, who stands heads above the remainder of the lightweights, is fact, but his ability to mix it with the welters is a mute question.

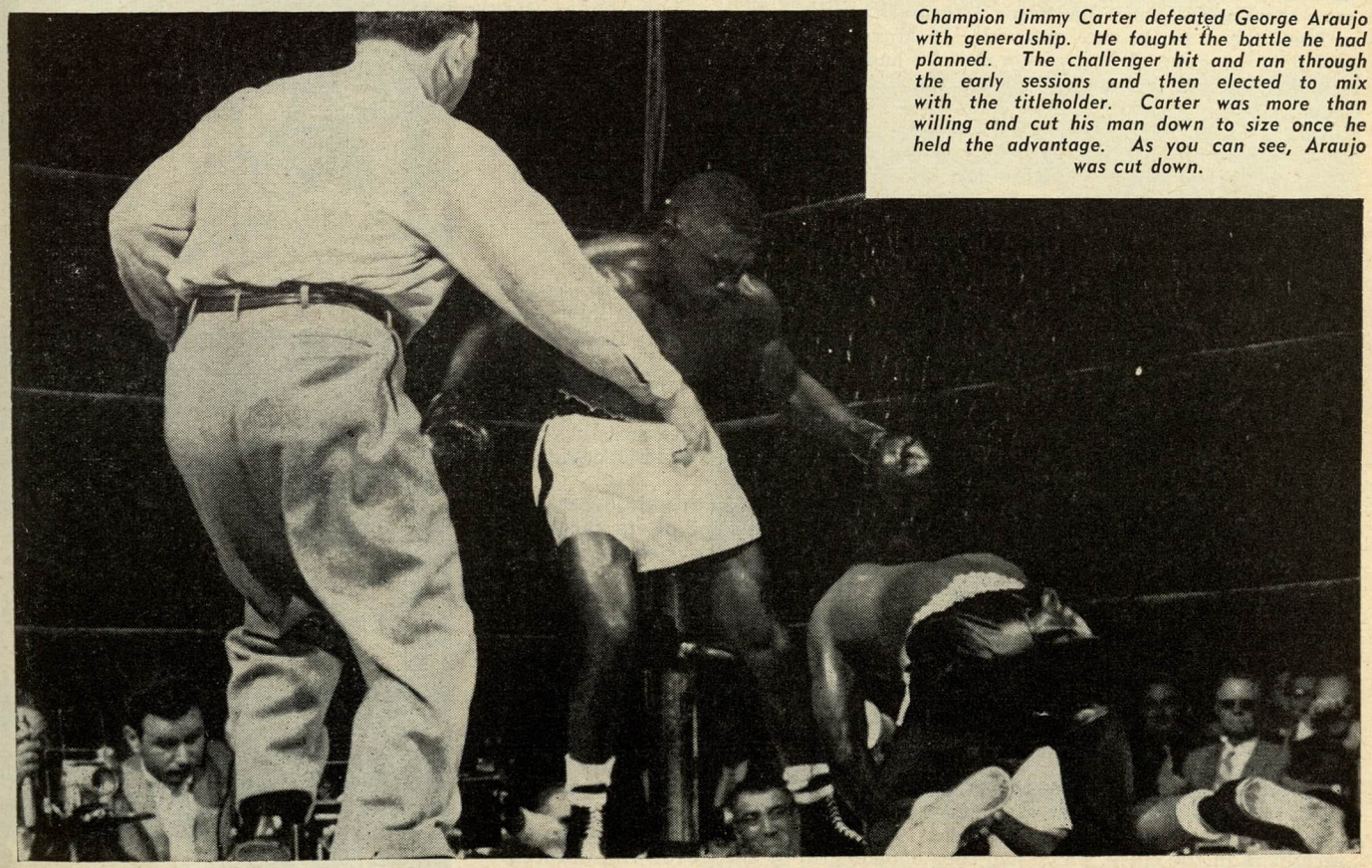
He has not shown any devestating power in his punches and only against Collins, a man who never could take a blow, did he look like a killer. In his bout with Araujo he was not overpowering and his greatest asset, in both these contests, seemed to be his ruggedness, ability to take it, stamina, the wall of steel. As a lightweight his boxing ability stands out . . . a fighter who learned his trade and is thoroughly an expert. Not spectacular, but the plodder who knows what he wants to do and does it.



Slugging it out toe-to-toe, Araujo showed his stuff, but Carter packed too many guns and Referee Al Berle calls a halt in the game battle in the thirteenth round. It had then become one-sided.

As a welterweight he would be faced with men as durable, with fighting hearts of as great dimensions, with more knockout power to their blows and more spectacular.

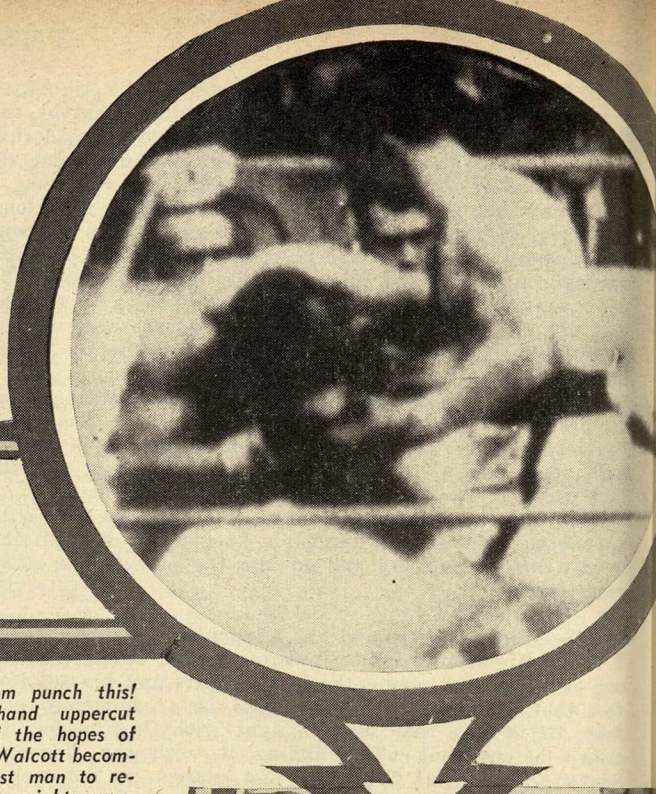
The logic doesn't add up for Carter to have a successful invasion of the welterweights. But as a lightweight he's some pumpkins.



Champion Jimmy Carter defeated George Araujo with generalship. He fought the battle he had planned. The challenger hit and ran through the early sessions and then elected to mix with the titleholder. Carter was more than willing and cut his man down to size once he held the advantage. As you can see, Araujo was cut down.

The ROCKY PUNCH!

Rocky Marciano gaining recognition as one of ring's all time great hitters. September bout, second defense of his crown, lays emphasis on Rocky's ability to knock the other guy kicking.



No phantom punch this! A right hand uppercut that ended the hopes of Jersey Joe Walcott becoming the first man to regain a heavyweight crown.

By DANIEL M. DANIEL

AS this issue of *The Ring* Magazine was being circulated, plans for Rocky Marciano's second defense of the heavyweight championship of the world were being discussed by Jim Norris, of the International Boxing Club, and Al Weill, the fighter's manager. Time was when a big match of that predominating character would have been set up within a fortnight after Marciano's quick knockout of Jersey Joe Walcott.

But, as the Old Guard so often deplores, times are not what they used to be, and for a lot of reasons.

To begin with, there is Norris' understandable preoccupation with horse racing. He came so very close to winning the Preakness with Jamie K., even against Native Dancer, that he is more excited over the turf than he has been over the Rocky-Jersey Joe fiasco aftermath.

Then there is the tax gimmick. If Marciano took a September fight—and it is the general impression that he had to do so to clear the air of the Limburger odor left behind by the Walcott hoax—he could not keep very much of the gleamings for himself.

In any event, as July 4 moved into sight, Norris and Weill had some talks about a match for Rocky with either Roland LaStarza or Ezzard Charles. The two leaned toward LaStarza if the scene were to be New York, and had some reservations about Ezz if the fight were to be held elsewhere—in Pittsburgh, for example.

NEW YORK, with a moribund boxing situation, ignored for the first Marciano-Walcott fight in favor of Philadelphia, and for the second Rocky-Joe affair in "favor" of Chicago—which still blames New York for the hoax—well, Pop Knickerbocker just had to get this fight, and LaStarza's second shot at the Brockton Buster.

Marciano and LaStarza stood to draw well at the Polo Grounds. Students of such things felt that it would be a good thing to delay the fight until just before the expected World Series between the Yankees and possibly the Dodgers, so that out-of-town visitors for the baseball climactic could be drawn into the fight arena.

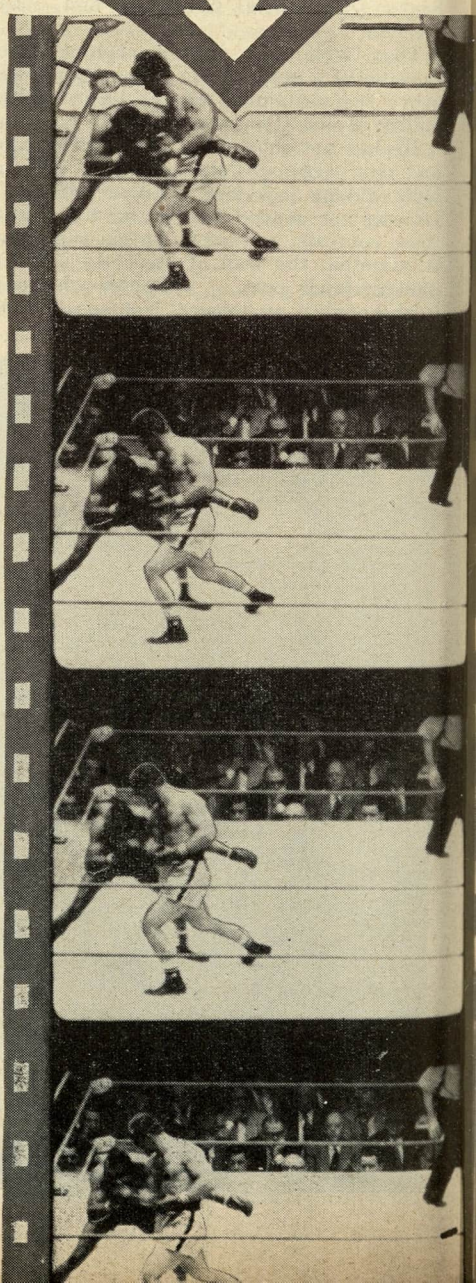
The Marciano-LaStarza setup was very interesting, even dramatic, because it presented a Jack Dempsey-Gene Tunney parallel in some of its facets.

Of course, the 29-year-old Marciano, in possession of the championship for less than a year, hardly may be compared with the faded and worn Dempsey, who lost to Tunney at Philadelphia and again at Chicago.

However, in LaStarza there are some Tunney angles. Roland is quite erudite. He is a City College of New York man, and he looks the alumnus. He is fluent, coherent, hardly given to lectures on Shakespeare, a la Gene, but an educated young man far from the dems and dese and doze found floating in Stillman's Gym pea soup.

JUST as the boxing world recognized Dempsey as the greatest hitter of his time, so does it now rate Marciano one of the hardest punchers in the annals of the heavyweight division.

And, just as the ring would rated Tunney one of the more scientific scrappers in the class, which had been embellished by the clever Jim Corbett, so does America regard LaStarza as a nimble stepper and crafty operator.



The question, and paramount one, of course, has to do with LaStarza's ability to take it.

He took some rugged punching from Rex Layne, and outdid him at his own game, as well as in the more scientific features of the sour science.

Just how did that split decision victory for Marciano over LaStarza come about? What happened? It is important to reconstruct that fight, but with the definite knowledge that, since then, Rocky has learned a tremendous lot about fighting and punching.

Marciano and LaStarza met in a ten rounder in New York's Garden, on March 24, 1950, before a comparatively poor turnout of 13,618.

Marciano was not too highly regarded in New York at the time. The dope was that he was just a tough youngster who had been built up on stumble bums, and whose record was not to be taken too seriously.

Referee Jack Watson made it five rounds for each fighter, but 9 points for Rocky and 6 for LaStarza.

Artie Schwartz, one of the judges, made it 5–4–1 for Marciano, and the other judge, Artie Aidala, gave it to LaStarza, 5–4–1.

CLOSE enough, that fight. Just about as close as it could have been.

However, there is one thing to be remembered about that round by round scoring.

Marciano belted LaStarza with abandon and freedom in the eighth round. Too much abandon, in fact. He landed a couple of low punches, and Referee Watson took the round away from him.

Give Rocky that eighth, and the split decision is split no longer.

There was a marked difference in the two styles that night. When Marciano was stung, he did not hold, he did not retreat. He tore in.

When LaStarza was hurt, he did not carry the fight to Rocky. He grabbed Marciano, and held on.

It is conceivable that LaStarza and his corner had no inkling of the importance of the fight. In any event, on a night which demanded fire and initiative of Roland, he gave the fans just a conventional ten rounder, caped with a conventional beef about the decision.

LaStarza faced a tremendous opportunity, and he sneered at it. Marciano was confronted with a chance to eliminate a clever fighter who was being talked about for a title shot—and he did it the way the fans like it—by punching.

TOO late did LaStarza realize what was taking place. He rolled into more strident action in the ninth and tenth, but it was too late.

LaStarza had Marciano in some difficulty in the sixth round, but instead of cashing in on this advantage, he lay back for the seventh and eighth.

"Just as we had feared, LaStarza will not do," the experts wailed. "He is too much college and too little clout. That sneaky right of his did not harass the Weill entry, and as for infighting, this Marciano lad is rough. Better keep an eye on him, even if his record looks stuffed with horse feathers."

It was Marciano's twenty-seventh victory in an unblemished sequence, it was LaStarza's first setback after 37 successes.

It will be recollected that LaStarza and Jimmy DeAngelo, his manager, clamored for an immediate chance to even the score with Marciano, and that Weill turned a very deaf ear to their shrieks of anguish.

"We have beaten LaStarza, meeting him again would prove nothing, and would be a decided step backward for Marciano," announced the crafty Mr. Weill.

TIME has vindicated Weill. It has praised his handling of Marciano, it has applauded his decision to force Rocky to hurry along and not try to do over again what he already had accomplished. It was Layne, then Lee Savold, and Harry Matthews, then Walcott, and the championship.

Of course, the cognoscenti still are talking about Walcott's first-round knockout by Marciano.

The evidence presented by the 3-D movies long since has been digested.

Walcott's squawk about getting a short count lacked, utterly, the bona fides which were behind Dempsey's charge of a long count in favor of Tunney, at Chicago.

The movies showed Walcott to be down at the count of ten—a full count of ten, a thoroughly honest count of ten.

The movies also led to the conviction that Walcott did not rise at ten because he was not able to do so.

There is sound evidence that in his last fight, Jersey Joe Walcott was knocked out, and in less than three minutes, hurt very badly.

There is evidence, too, that Marciano has not been graded quite correctly. He hits hard. How hard? Walcott knows. He could tell, if he wanted to. He found out in Philadelphia last September, and he found out even more poignately at Chicago.

ON the basis of what he has done so far, there is no heavyweight in America who could stand up to him and trade blows with The Rock. He packs too much power in his punches. And Nat Fleischer, Editor of The Ring, just returning from a tour of the British Isles and Europe, says there is not a sign of a big one who could give Marciano a battle, let alone come through the scheduled rounds of a bout with a number of our fighters.

Aside from trying to fathom the chances of Roland LaStarza and Ezzard Charles against the world heavyweight champion it seems the only thing left to do, until something or someone better comes along, is to compare him with the former Kings of the Ring.

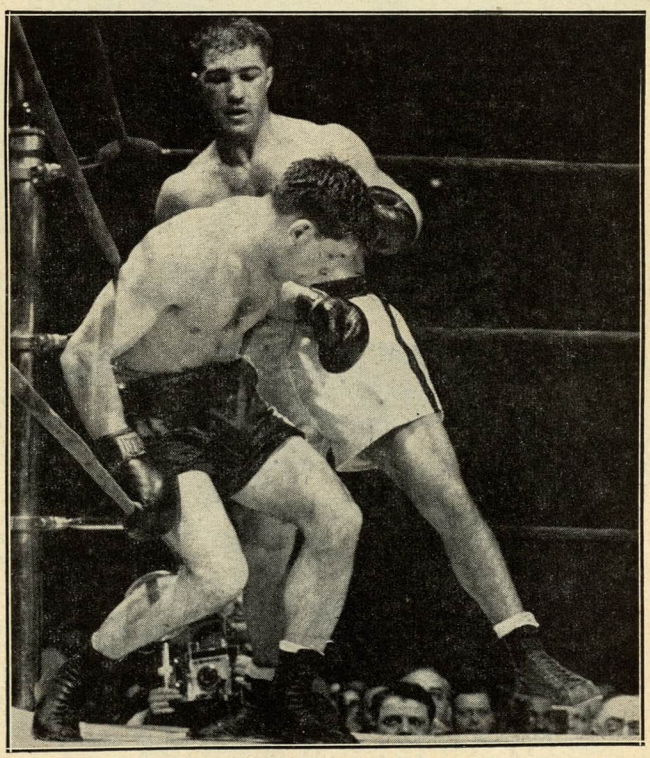
As a puncher how would you rate Marciano to the Great John L.? Is the present champ in a class in hitting power with that possessed by the Big Grizzly Bear, who wiped the field clean with his ponderous fists and then retired undefeated? In damaging power can Rocky rate with the devastation of a savage Dempsey?

So tremendous is the interest that in the next issue of The Ring our staff of fistic experts will each be called upon to give their views on the matter.

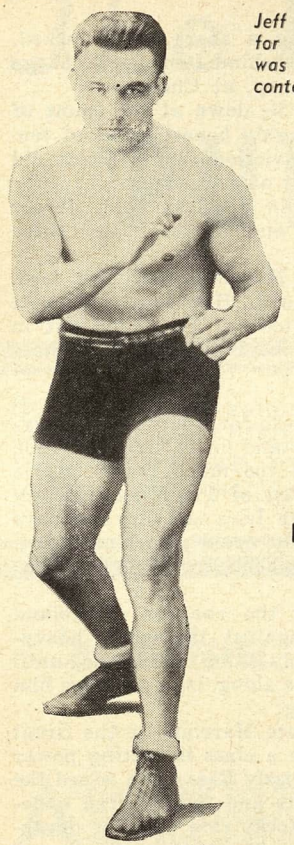
As of this date it seems that he has already—or can readily—annihilate the present crop of heavyweights.

In the September issue he will be in against sterner opposition.

The results should prove highly interesting.



Clever Roland LaStarza staggers under the lethal punch of Rocky Marciano in their first fight, which saw Rocky win a disputed decision. Can LaStarza skill offset Marciano power?

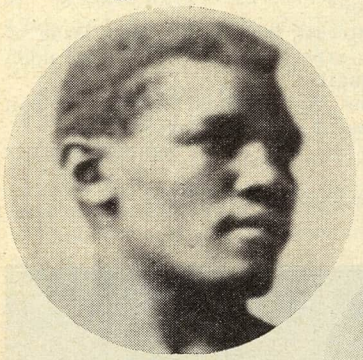


Jeff Smith, who campaigned for almost twenty years and was a leading middleweight contender, never received a shot at the title.

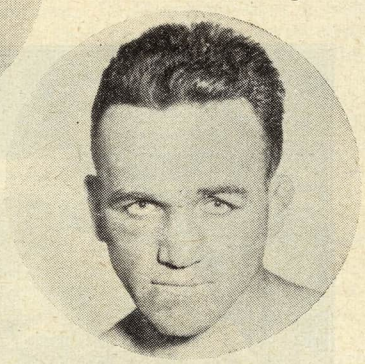
Marcel Cerdan, of France had a long wait as the No. 1 challenger but made good when the opportunity presented itself, stopping Tony Zale in 12 rounds.

Title Shots Not Always To Deserving

By AL BUCK



Peter Jackson, rated one of the greatest heavyweights of all time, was shunted in his title bids in the days when there was a "color bar."



Mike Gibbons, the St. Paul Phantom, one of the cleverest of ring scientists, saw a title chance evade him repeatedly.

THE outstanding challenger, or leading contender, call him what you will, isn't always the fellow in the other corner when the champion defends the title. Just being the No. 1 rival isn't enough. Too many great fighters have passed into the record book without a championship. Many never got a chance to fight for a crown.

Management is an important factor in the success of a fighter. "Connections" are sometimes needed, and politics, too, has played its part. The late Marcel Cerdan, for example, had to wait until Tony Zale and Rocky Graziano completed their three-bout series before getting his chance to win the world middleweight championship.

The recent Jimmy Carter-Tom Collins bout for the lightweight title in Boston is another example. Collins had a great personal following, and because he could fill the Boston Garden he got the fight with Carter, although George Araujo was the outstanding challenger. Justice triumphed in the end, as Araujo later got his opportunity to fight Carter.

One of the purposes behind the working agreement the New York Commission has with the National Boxing Association is to see that the leading contender isn't sidetracked. The growing opposition to return-bout contracts is based on a desire to give every deserving challenger a chance to become a champion.

Too often a fighter has been denied a title fight, or has been made to wait until age has made him a less dangerous challenger. Rocky Marciano was fortunate that his punching power, in the years he was fighting his way up, made him a desirable and profitable challenger for champion Jersey Joe Walcott.

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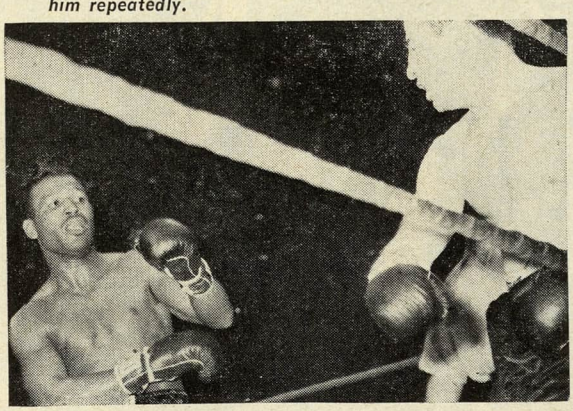
LOOKING over the list of present champions, there is Archie Moore, world light-heavyweight king. When he won the title from Joey Maxim, in St. Louis, Archie was 36 years old and had been fighting professionally nearly 17 years. Moore had been knocking at championship doors for ages, but they hadn't opened because Archie, despite his unquestioned talents, was not regarded as box-office. Champions, naturally, want to be assured good paydays when they gamble on their titles.

Moore finally got his chance when Jack Kearns, Maxim's manager, refused to let Joey defend his championship against Randy Turpin in London. Knowing Maxim had to risk the crown against somebody, Kearns elected to take a chance with Moore.

Jack realized Archie was a dangerous opponent, but the terms offered were flattering enough to influence him into taking the match. Public opinion, aroused by *The Ring's*



Ray Robinson (left) for years was the uncrowned welterweight champion. But he got his chance and then went on to win the middles crown, his last defense being against Rocky Graziano (right).

campaign for recognition of Moore, had finally made Archie a real attraction, and Maxim was well paid for the bout, even though he did lose his laurels.

Moore could have won the light-heavyweight title almost anytime after World War II. Gus Lesnevich, the champion, on coming out of service, took the title to England, where he lost it eventually to Freddie Mills. He also made a couple of defenses against Billy Fox, in Madison Square Garden.

In those years Ezzard Charles was regarded as the leading light-heavyweight challenger. Ezz and Lesnevich never met until the former was world heavyweight champion. Then Charles' title was at stake, and he knocked out Lesnevich.

Remember Fred Apostoli, the rugged middleweight from California? He licked Freddie Steele, the champion, in a non-title number in Madison Square Garden. After that Steele would not give Apostoli another chance.

After Steel had lost the crown to Al Hostak, the New York commission declared the title vacant. Then Apostoli was recognized as champion in New York, after he had knocked out Young Corbett, III. He eventually was knocked out by Ceferino Garcia.

THE middleweight division has produced some great fighters who never held the title. One was Mike Gibbons, the St. Paul Phantom. A master boxer and sharpshooter, Mike was handicapped by the no-decision laws prevailing in most of the states. While Al McCoy, a tough, awkward southpaw, ruled as champion, just because he could "take it" and stay on his feet for ten rounds, Gibbons had to be content with the vague recognition of "uncrowned king." Great as he was, Mike never got a shot at the title.

Another talented middleweight who went through a long, eventful career without getting a shot at the championship was Jeff Smith, Bayonne's celebrated Globe-Trotter. Jeff's busy career carried him all over the world, and for 16 years he was rated as a leading contender for the division's top laurels. But no champion would take a chance with him in a title match.

First as a lightweight, then as a welterweight, Packey McFarland, another brilliant boxer, also went through a long ring career without a title. The nearest he came to one was when he was almost matched with the then lightweight champion, Battling Nelson, in San Francisco.

The bout failed to materialize when the rivals couldn't agree on the distance. Packey wanted 20 rounds while Nelson, a durable marathoner, who won most of his fights by outlasting his opponents, insisted on 45. Later, McFarland became too heavy for the lightweight limit of those days, 133 pounds, and he wasn't interested in going after the welterweight title, which didn't amount to much in that era.

The Chicagoan compiled one of the ring's most remarkable records. As a novice, he suffered a couple of defeats in his first year of fighting. But for the rest of his career, spanning nearly a dozen years and 100 bouts, nobody could beat him.

IN the fabulous twenties, when Jack Dempsey was world heavyweight champion, Harry Wills was the leading contender. Dollars grew on trees in those years, and a Dempsey-Wills fight would have grossed millions. The fight never took place. The reasons were many.

Dempsey was willing to take the match. He conceivably would have won. Jack always could beat the big, ponderous men. His most troublesome opponents were the faster, shiftier rivals nearer his own size. That doesn't alter the fact, however, that Wills was denied his chance.

First, Dempsey split with Jack Kearns, his manager, after knocking out Luis Angel Firpo. Wills should have been Jack's next opponent, but Tex Rickard, the promoter of the time, showed no interest in the match. There were rumors that Washington and Albany were against a so-called "mixed match" for the heavyweight title, but in New York Mayor James J. Walker and Boxing Commission Chairman James J. Farley lined up behind Wills, the Negro challenger.

The Jack Johnson-James J. Jeffries fight, which Rickard had promoted in Reno, Nev., was followed by race riots in various parts of the country. Tex didn't want them to break out again, or so it was reported at the time, although Wills, every inch a gentleman, would have been received in much the same manner as was Joe Louis years later.

Amid the confusion, Dempsey went to Philadelphia, where he lost the title to Gene Tunney in the rain. Later Jack Sharkey, on his way to the top, eliminated Wills as a title threat by beating his in Brooklyn. Harry never did get a chance at the title.

Sharkey soon learned that the road up was not a smooth and

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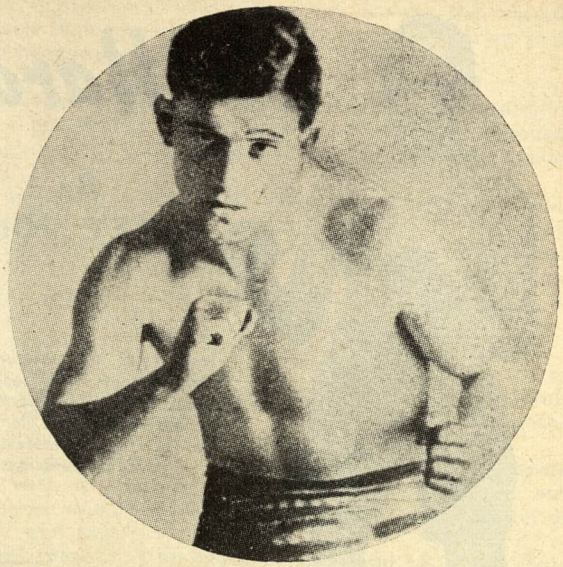
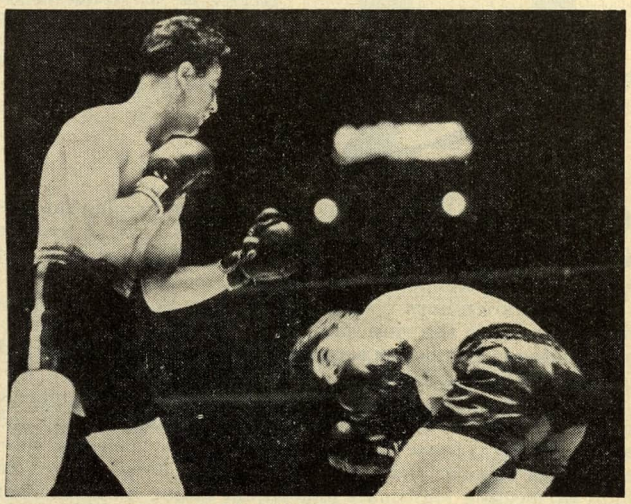
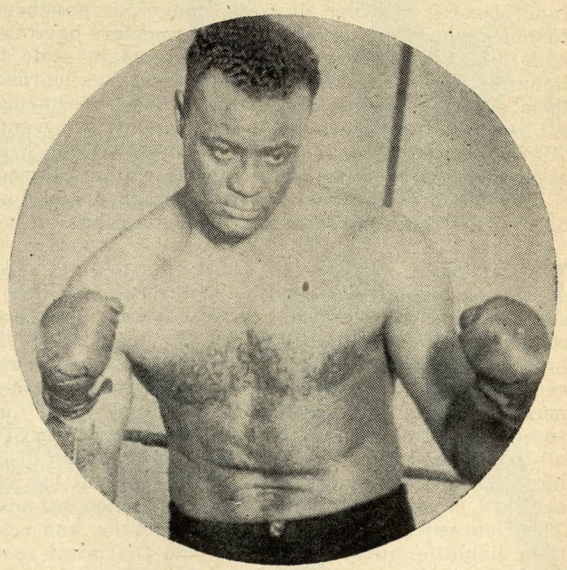


Packey McFarland, who lost but one fight in his memorable career, came close to—but never won—a world title.



Freddie Apostoli (left) claimed the world middleweight crown when he defeated Glen Lee (right) in 1938, but the division was in topsy-turvy order at the time and he never received world-wide acclaim.



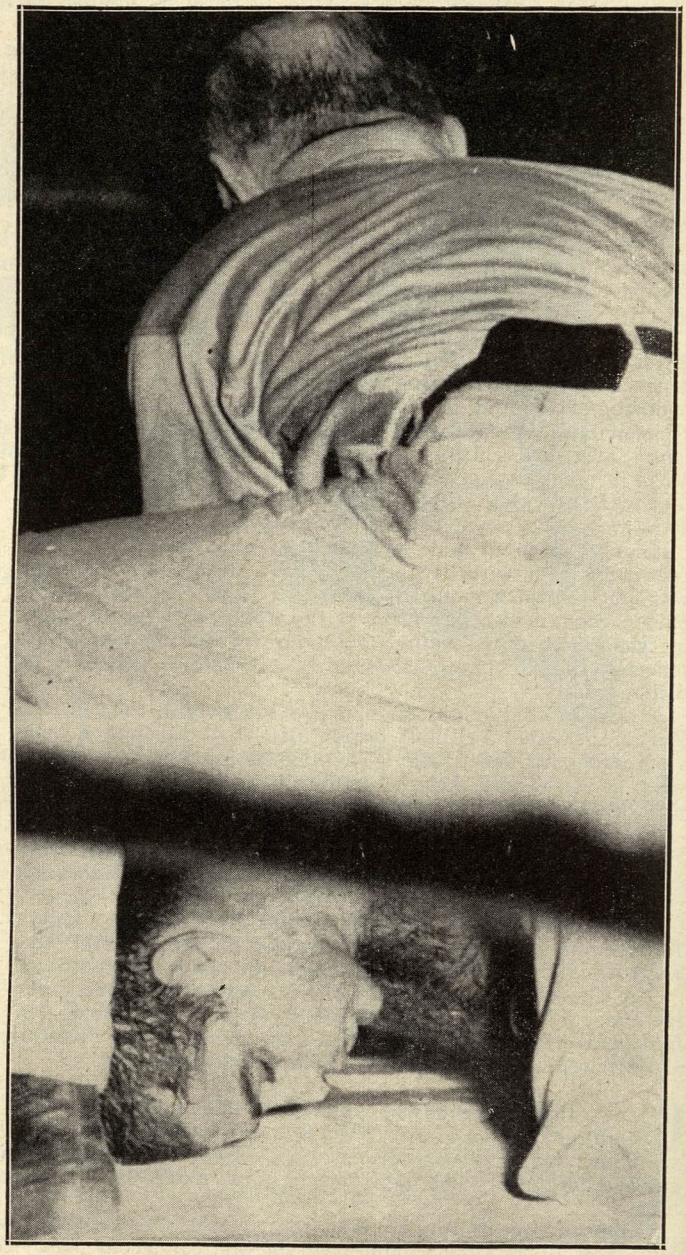
Harry Wills, the Black Panther, was considered a good challenger for Jack Dempsey's heavyweight crown—but the bout fell through and the years caught up with Wills.

Hard Way Best Way?

By
JERSEY JONES

Instead of discouraging him, early defeats only added to Benny Leonard's determination to make good, and he became one of ring's greatest lightweight champions.

Carl (Bobo) Olson's present rating as one of world's leading middleweights has been earned because of his refusal to get discouraged. One disaster Bobo had to overcome was this knockout by Ray Robinson in their first meeting in Philadelphia.



SHOULD Carl (Bobo) Olson eventually become middleweight champion of the world, he will have earned his lofty rating. He's learned his trade the hard way, but he's learned it well.

The Hawaiian-born Norseman may not be the most proficient mechanic the ring has known, but by modern standards there are few better equipped journeymen in the rugged leather-tossing industry.

Olson is no hot-house product, no synthetic development of this TV age. He hasn't been petted and pampered, nursed along at the expense of carefully selected victims of miscellaneous talents and dubious integrity. Bobo learned to fight by meeting legitimate opposition, taking his occasional defeats in stride, and improving as he went along. His schooling has been international in range, acquired in his native Honolulu, the Philippines, Australia and throughout the United States. He's been in with all types of performers—fancy boxers, bruising sluggers, dangerous punchers. He's fought anybody and everybody the promoters have tossed in with him, all the way up the middleweight scale to Ray Robinson and the late Dave Sands. Olson has learned from them all. His progress may not have been spectacular, but it's been steady, and today, not yet 25 and in his seventh year of campaigning, Bobo is a well-seasoned operator, deserving of his recognition as one of the world's leading 160-pounders.

Bobo Olson has learned his trade the hard way, but what he's learned is paying off in handsome dividends.

THERE are few, very few, short cuts to solid success in this business. Occasionally, a Willie Pep or a Ray Robinson, loaded with exceptional natural talents, speeds along a comparatively smooth road on his way to the championship heights. But the Peps and the Robinsons are the rare exceptions that prove the general rule. Check through the musty archives of prize-ring history, and you'll find that success didn't come too easily or too quickly to most of the all-time greats. They generally had rough, often discouraging, moments along the way. Their eventual success was achieved because they refused to be daunted by adversity. They learned and profited from misfortune, and converted their liabilities into assets. They had that vital something known quaintly to the trade as "guts."

An outstanding case was that of Benny Leonard, who survived a rugged early career to develop into one of the most superb artists in ring history. A frail kid when he started, Benny had some disheartening adventures during his first couple of years in the business. A clever lad, he lacked the strength and toughness to hold off some of the older and more experienced opponents pitted against him. He was knocked out by two of them, Frankie Fleming and Joe Shugrue. But Leonard refused to be discouraged. Determined to succeed, he concentrated on improving his technique. He became one of the keenest students the ring has known. At 21, Benny was world lightweight champion, and for more than seven eventful years he dominated a division loaded with formidable challengers.

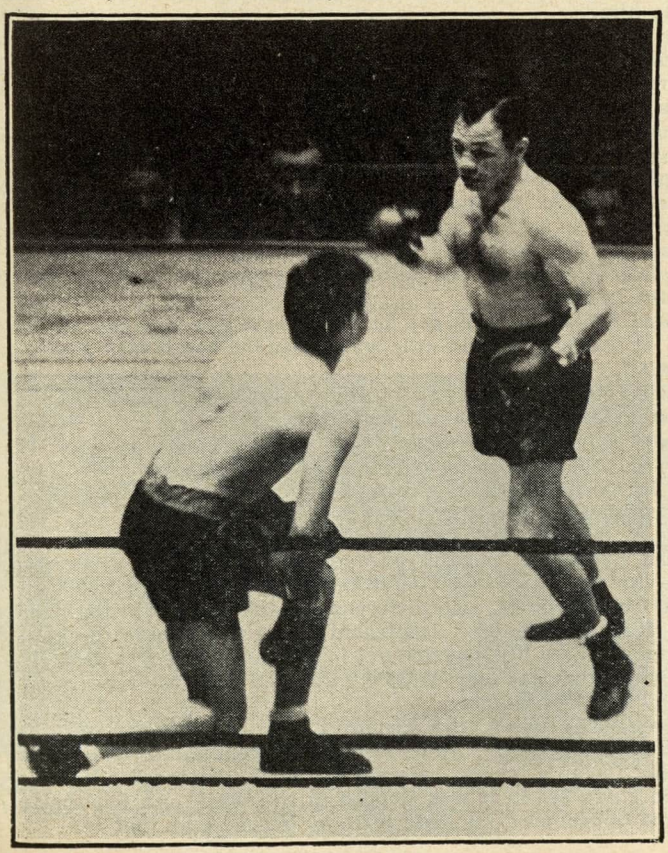
VERY few fighters have succeeded in scaling the titular heights without having to overcome bitter disappointment, even disaster, somewhere along the way. Most of the heavyweight champions suffered knockouts during their up-and-coming years. Before they hit the top brackets, Bob Fitzsimmons, Jack Johnson, Jess Willard, Jack Dempsey, Max Schmeling, Jack Sharkey, Jim Braddock, Joe Louis, Ezzard Charles and Jersey Joe Walcott all knew what it was to have at least one "K.O. By" tacked onto their records.

Even such illustrious performers in the lighter classes as Joe Gans, Young Corbett, Philadelphia Jack O'Brien, Jack Britton, Georges Carpentier, Ted (Kid) Lewis, Johnny Dundee, Harry Greb, Pete Herman, Jimmy Wilde, Jack Delaney, Mickey Walker and Henry Armstrong had to survive the indignity of knockout defeats before they became champions.

Probably no fighter, on his way to the peak of his division, had a tougher road to travel than Theodore (Tiger) Flowers. Being a southpaw was a handicap to start with, and his manager was hardly in a position to pick soft spots for him. It was difficult enought to get fights for the Tiger during his early years in the ring. A middleweight, he frequently had to take on light-heavies and heavies. It was tempestuous going, and the kid had some disastrous experiences. In his ramblings through the hinterlands, before he reached the Big Time, the Georgian was knocked out no less than six times—by Panama Joe Gans, Kid Norfolk (twice), Sam Langford, Jamacia Kid and Lee Anderson. Only one fighter in a hundred would have survived that sort of discouragement. But Flowers was that one. He learned and profited from his defeats, whipped three of his conquerors—Gans, Jamacia and Anderson—in subsequent meetings, and went on to wrest the world middleweight title from Harry Greb.

ONE beating has ruined many a promising youngster, but there have been instances when defeats actually have helped rather than hurt fighters during their "seasoning" years. One of the most notable was the frightful drubbing Harry Greb tossed into Gene Tunney in their first outing in old Madison Square Garden. It was the only defeat ever collected by Tunney, but it turned out to be something Gene definitely needed.

Until that bout, the Greenwich Villager had been an unduly cautious, conservative sort. He didn't seem to have too much confidence in himself, and was careful of the opponents picked for him. It was freely predicted that if Tunney ever received a real lacing, he'd probably quit the ring. He received that lacing from Greb—and a brutal one it was—but instead of discouraging him, it worked the other way. It aroused some dormant spark in Gene, and he became more sure of himself. Tunney demanded another crack at the Pittsburgher, and the series eventually covered five bouts, with Gene winning them all, and showing consistent improvement every time out. It was the whipping by Greb that actually started Tunney on his drive to the world heavyweight title.



WE recall the unusual case of a manager deliberately accepting what figured to be a bad match to discourage his fighter, and having the bout produce just the opposite effect.

It was back in the early '20s, and we were sitting and gabbing in a Harlem coffee shop one evening with Harry (Champ) Segal, then handling a stable of New York fighters. The talk got around to a juvenile member of Segal's troup, a bantam named Charley Phil Rosenberg, who had had about a half-dozen preliminary bouts, but showed so little promise that Champ was trying to make him quit.

"He's a swell kid," said Segal, "but he can't fight, and he's liable to get hurt if he keeps trying. I don't want anything to happen to him, but I can't discourage him. He wants to fight and is determined to make good."

"Why don't you get him a good licking?" we suggested. "Not with a puncher who's apt to hurt him, but some fast boxer who'll throw so many gloves at him he'll get disgusted and quit."

Segal thought it an excellent idea, and he had a chance a week or two later to try it out. Frankie Genaro, the little Brooklynite who'd won the Olympic flyweight title in Paris a short time before and was already on his way to professional glory, was booked for a date at the Commonwealth Club. His opponent reported ill and a rush call was sent out for a substitute. Segal responded with Rosenberg.

This was the bout to "discourage" the kid. Genaro was not a hard hitter, but he was a speedy little fellow and figured to smother Rosenberg in a bewildering blizzard of flying leather.

Things didn't turn out quite as Segal had hoped. Though he lost the decision, Charley came through with a surprisingly good performance, made Genaro hustle all the way to win, and convinced Segal that maybe he'd make a fighter after all.

He did. Some three years later Charley Phil Rosenberg was world bantamweight champion.

ONE of the finest fighting machines the ring has known, Tony Canzoneri, was a "natural" from the start. He had to be, to wade through the gruelling schedule arranged for him in his early years in the ring.

A protege of Pete Herman, former world bantam champion, Canzoneri was only 14, but already a brilliant amateur prospect, when

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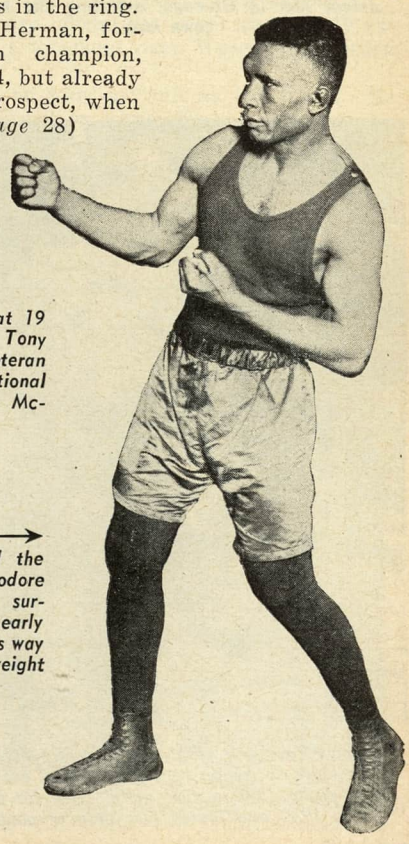

Featherweight champion at 19 and lightweight king at 22, Tony Canzoneri was a fading veteran when he turned in sensational upset victory over Jimmy McLarnin.

The hard way proved the best way for Theodore (Tiger) Flowers, who survived frequent disaster early in his career to fight his way eventually to middleweight championship.

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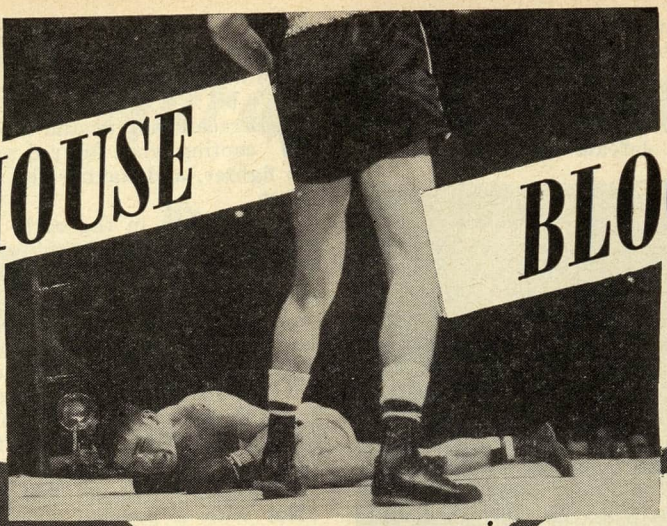
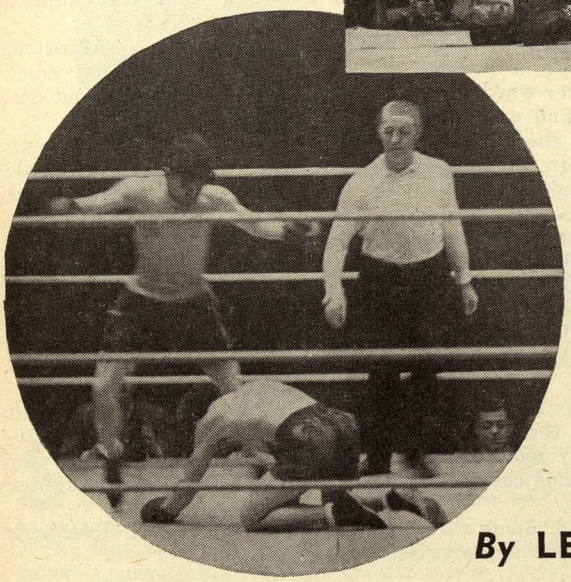


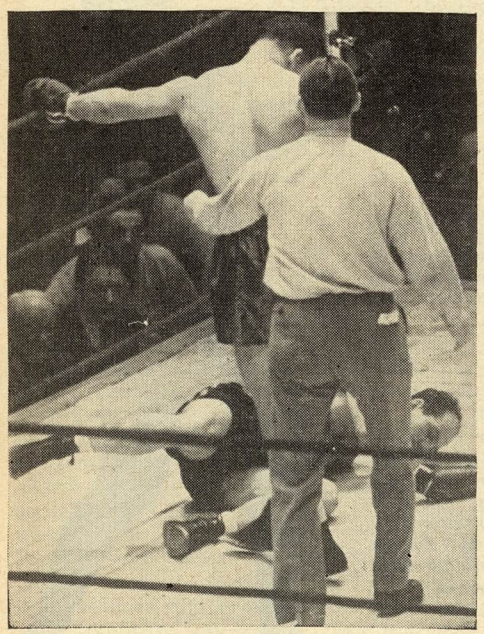


Vince Foster, the colorful welterweight from Omaha, Neb., rode into New York on a wave of ballyhoo and was promptly exploded by Charlie Fusari in one round.

Hometown stars, nurtured and cultivated by ballyhoo, generate over-enthusiasm in fans. TV aggravates flops.

By LESTER BROMBERG

Bat Battalino (left) traveled to the den of Earl Mastro in 1931 to put his featherweight crown on the line and proceeded to dump and defeat him in Chicago, deflating the hometown idol.



Johnny Paycheck, Midwest heavyweight, who was built up by pushovers and local acclaim, was pushed into a title match with Joe Louis in 1940 and lasted less than a round.

THE hotel suite was stocked with food, liquor, all the preparations for a big victory party, a celebration worthy of a local fighter who, admirers were certain, would be wearing a crown by the time they got to honoring him.

Earl Mastro seemed entitled to all the homage Chicago could bestow. A flashy, forceful featherweight, he had been rising steadily now, in 1931, for three years. Managed by a then relatively new team, Sam Pian and Art Winch, he had been guided into the right matches.

Earl, who had licked Eddie Shea and impressed against Bud Taylor and Fidel LaBarba, was getting his chance at the world's 126-pound title against champion Bat Battalino.

Twenty-three-years-old, dead game and ambitious, Mastro had been backed strongly by the betting gentry of an acknowledgedly sporty city.

Nobody imagined the possibility of Earl failing. Yet, just after 11 o'clock, the waiter in charge of the buffet became concerned. No one had arrived from the fight.

The frustrated boniface finally got up nerve to call a newspaper. He got the news. It was bad, all bad—the wily Battalino had beaten Mastro. The party was off.

So collapsed a citywide belief. It was the tragedy of thousands. But this sort of fistic community calamity had happened before. And was to happen again, so long as fans become wrapped up in the abilities of one of their boys without a complete appraisal of his short-comings. Not very long after the Battalino defeat, Mastro retired. He'd lost only three of 45 fights but he'd missed his goal. And that was going to be all.

THE American fight scene had this phenomenon set before it strikingly twice in the current year. First the drama of hope-turned-into-despair occurred with Chuck Davey, college-developed welterweight. Right in Chicago, too. He'd swashbuckled undefeated into a title shot with champion Kid Gavilan. Davey was knocked out in the tenth round, the old pro handling him with ridiculous ease as Gavvy dropped him four times, even turned southpaw on the southpaw.

Then it happened in Boston with Tommy Collins, a brash kid, strictly an overstuffed featherweight. Collins confidently went after lightweight champion Jimmy Carter's laurels. He got flattened, butchered. He was on the floor ten times before it was stopped in the third. An impossibly stubborn referee compounded the fistic farce by letting it go that far.

In the 1930's and other fast eras such misplacement of belief was sad enough. Still, its impact was limited to one area. Today the ripple of local disappointment becomes a tidal wave of national dismay. Television makes the difference. An estimated 23 million sets from coast to coast were tuned in on each of the latest letdowns.

Angry, alerted watchers screamed their heartbreak in wires, telegrams and phone calls. And those who had championed the alleged contenders most noisily were damning, with equal violence, the fights they were now calling "mismatches."

Is there a permanent cure?

Boxing commissioners everywhere promptly swore they'd police the selection of title opponents more stringently. The National Joint Board of Review (New York-NBA) linked up with the European authorities late this spring. One of the points of world agreement was refusal to sanction built-up challengers.

Evidence that the fan is unhappy if he can't go ga-ga about some native, or adopted favorite has been piling up for years. No part of the nation is immune. No matter how many times he's stung the fan comes back for more.

CHICAGO has played the patsy probably more often than any other city.

In the twenties the Midway went mad over a crude southpaw middleweight puncher, a Polish fighter, who adopted the name of Shuffle Callahan. His dynamite glossed over his inadequacies. One night he fought Billy Showers, a local name. He gave Showers such a beating the latter had to be taken to a hospital.

Now, naturally, Shuffle was accepted as a superman. In the spring of 1926 he was matched with Tommy Freeman at Cleveland. Freeman, who'd been knocked out by Joe Dundee less than a month earlier in New York, stopped Callahan in the eleventh round. The worshippers were unconsolable.

Chicago, with a sizeable Jewish population, fell for Harry Krakower, from the Maxwell St. Ghetto, more easily recognizable by his ring name, King Levinsky.

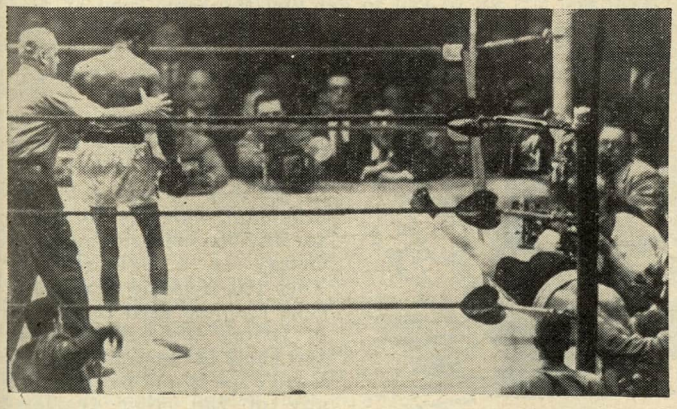
Daily the veteran fight people attempted to enlighten the fans to the fact Levinsky was a so-so fighter. Just the same, when he was paired with Jack Dempsey in an exhibition at Chicago Stadium on February 18, 1932, the turnout was a record 23,322 paying $74,199.

The King delighted his mob. Dempsey was a faded oldster by then. Levinsky outpunched and outrallied him. If a decision had been rendered at the end of their four rounds, it would have had to go to the King.

Eventually King sunk to his proper level, though he went ten, then 20 rounds with Max Baer, before being kicked around by Max unceremoniously in another Chicago exhibition.

Dear old Chicago went cuh-razy over George (Sugar) Costner, a St. Louis-born welterweight, about 10 years ago.

The South Siders were calling him a second Joe Gans. He was slender but had a mighty punch. In the fall of 1944 Costner reeled off eleven knockouts in a row in Chicago. None of the fights lasted beyond the third round. Some went one.



Chuck Davey, literally "sprung" into prominence by the medium of television, failed miserably in his first big fight—a title shot against Kid Gavilan, world welterweight champion.

They just had to see him against that other Sugar, Ray Robinson. They met in Chicago Stadium on February 14, 1945. The crowd was near capacity. Robinson, even then a shrewd money man, had miscalculated. He asked for a guarantee of $25,000. On percentage, he'd have done much better. Receipts were more than $90,000.

The fight? There wasn't any. Robinson exposed the china in Costner's chin in a couple of minutes of the first round.

The Costner Marching and Chowder Club couldn't believe it. Barely a month later they came out to see him against Jake LaMotta. This time he got chopped down in six.

His Chicago idyll thereupon was pretty well finished, although he was to get another dose of Dr. Robinson's one-round KO medicine five years later in Philadelphia.

BOSTON'S frustrations didn't begin with Tommy Collins. Just after World War II the Irish of the Hub began to get excited about Tommy Sullivan, a handsome light-heavyweight prospect, apparently with a shillelagh's kick in his right hand.

Almost as fast you could say John Lawrence Sullivan, the youngster ran up a string of victories, eleven, all but two by knockout.

Soon Scollay Square and the Boston Common were ringing with a strident call: "Let's see Tommy in with a name, there's nobody who can stand up to him."

So the wonder boy was matched in the Boston Garden with Al (Red) Priest, a local middleweight. Red had a good record and the trade knew him to be tough. It proved a sellout.

Sullivan learned Priest was tough, the hard way. No matter what he threw at the man, the latter was still after him. Red plugged his way to the decision. The experience gave Tommy an awareness he wasn't cut out for the business. He stayed around long enough to get another whacking from Priest and eventually retired, after a career of 16 fights!

Boston's romantic heart later went all out for Paul Pender, a middleweight from Brookline. He rode a streak from scratch, 21 straight without a loss.

Reborn hopes surrounded Pender, another good-looking lad who was credited for being a boxer as well as a puncher.

Late in 1950 Paul was paired with Norman Hayes, an underrated fellow Bostonian. Norman, later to win decisions over Jake LaMotta and Robert Villemain, taught Pender the facts of ring life in the hero's first defeat.

By means of some weird officiating, never thoroughly explained, Pender scored a knockout over Hayes in a return match.

But the tarnish was on him, as well as the truth. He

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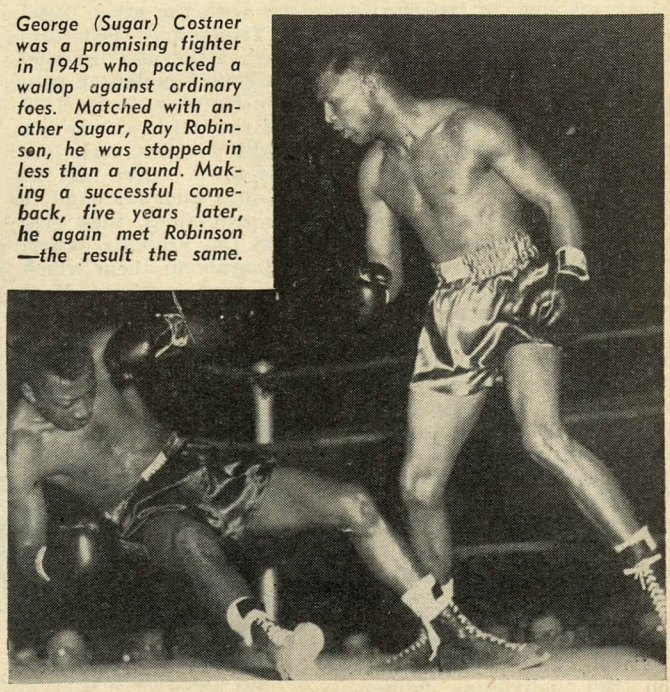
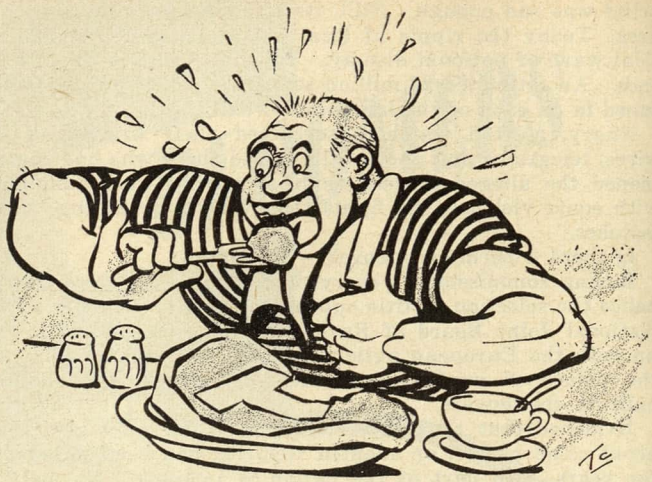


George (Sugar) Costner was a promising fighter in 1945 who packed a wallop against ordinary foes. Matched with another Sugar, Ray Robinson, he was stopped in less than a round. Making a successful comeback, five years later, he again met Robinson —the result the same.

Food For Thought



"BOXERS NEED PROTEINS AND THAT MEANS PLENTY OF STEAK!"...SAYS JIMMY AUGUST...

By TED CARROLL

ALONG time ago somebody said "Tell we what you eat and I'll tell you what you are." The insurance companies have come up with their own paraphrase of this. "Tell us how much you eat and we'll tell you how long you'll live." Over-weight, direct result of over-eating is, according to the newest revelations, the greatest danger to a lengthy stay on this planet, and that explains the interest of the underwriters—and the medical profession—in the diet of all of us.

The big brains of big business are just getting around to finding out what fight people have realized ever since the first punch was thrown in a boxing ring, that the kind and the amount of food we take in is all-important to our physical welfare.

Typifying the amount of thought given the subject by boxing people, able trainer Jimmy August, one of the keenest students of the proper care and feeding of fighters, has in the course of a long career learned many things about diet of benefit not only to his charges but to the average person.

August, an alert and articulate chap, doesn't go in for three substantial meals a day for his battlers. "Along about 9 or 10 in the morning, the kid should get a good solid breakfast, he's gone a long time without a real meal, and has already done his roadwork so his appetite is sharp and he can take in plenty. Like all people using a lot of energy, boxers need plenty of proteins, and that means plenty of eggs in the morning along with the other usual breakfast foods, like cereals, milk, fruits and such. He lies down to help along the digestion of the meal and by 1 or 2 o'clock he is ready for his workout. A fighter uses up a tremendous amount of energy in training, so by 6:30 or so he is as hungry as a tiger and ready for a very big meal. If the fighter is a heavyweight you can turn him loose at the table and let him go to town. Give him as much steak as he can hold, but be sure and surround it with plenty of green stuff. Salads, vegetables, they give the roughage which helps him digest the proteins easier, and at the same time they have minerals in them which are good for him—or anybody—for that matter. Most fighters like sweets and ice cream is the best bet there. If your fighter is a little fellow you may have to watch the amount he puts away more closely. A fighter is a lot like an automobile. The food he eats is his fuel. A big fellow like a big car will get less mileage out of what he eats than a lightweight so he can stand a lot more food."

I wondered about the value of starches in a fighter's diet.

"Well, that depends a lot on the individual fighter. Steaks and green stuff are good for anybody but starches affect different people different ways. You have to watch them. If your guy is a fellow built like Sugar Ray Robinson you can let him get away with potatoes and macaroni now and then, but if he's built like Tami Mauriello or Jake LaMotta, watch out!"

"What happens to a fighter's diet when he's 'drying out'?" I wanted to know.

"No starches at all then," explained Jimmy," how you feed a boxer when he has to make weight depends a lot on how much weight he loses working out. I worked with Melio Bettina, a fellow who'd lose as much as six pounds after a single workout, you could keep feeding him like always right up to the day of the fight."

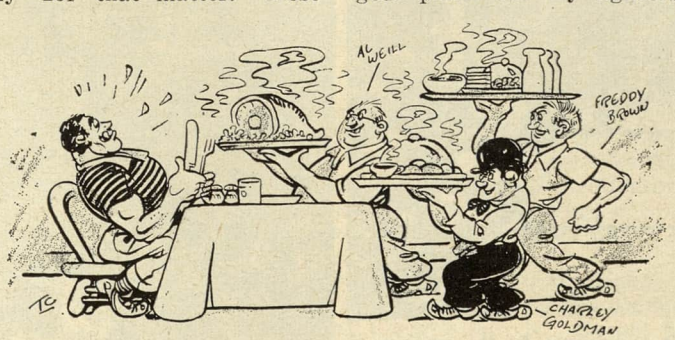
"I've been told that drying out can be harmful if done too frequently," I persisted.

"Yes, it's true that drying out and fasting to make an unnatural weight can hurt a fighter if done too often, but the problem here is to bring your kid in at the weight at which he fights best. A weak fighter at 129, who should be 133, is just as bad off coming in at 138, 'cause he'll be sluggish at that weight. If your fighter is big for his class limit like, say, LaMotta was for a middleweight, you have to skip that one big meal the day before the fight and feed him concentrated proteins like beef tea."

"Is there any difference to an athlete between boiled and fried foods?" I asked.

"Not as far as the food itself goes," answered August," but boiled foods are so much easier to digest, trainers like to give them to their kids. Fried stuff is much more likely to cause an upset stomach."

Jimmy continued, "proper food is one of the greatest problems in out of town fights. I've always said one of the real reasons a fighter will drop a fight he figures to win in a strange city is the trouble in finding the proper restaurant. In a strange place you still have your fighter to feed, and it's up to you to get him the same kind of food and cooking he's been getting all along. If you don't you may be heading for trouble. I have less trouble finding good places for my fighters to eat in Chicago than any place else."

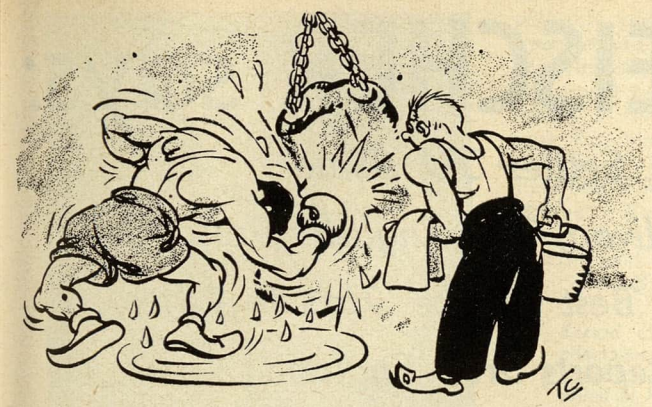


...MARCIANO IS THE BIGGEST EATER OF ALL THE HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONS...

Is alcohol very damaging to a fighter's chances of reaching a ripe old age?

"Alcohol is an artificial stimulant which is very bad for any one using up as much energy as a fighter does. They tell me some of the old-time trainers used to believe in letting the boys have a few shots between fights, but I can't see it and neither can any of the other trainers around today that I know of," said Jimmy.

I recalled that many years



BOXERS BURN UP SO MUCH ENERGY IN TRAINING.. THEY HAVE TO EAT MORE THAN THE AVERAGE PERSON..

ago, well preserved Harry Wills had deplored the use of coffee by boxers because it also stimulates. I asked Jimmy about this.

"Give me a milk drinker every time, I feel the same way Wills does about coffee. A lot of kids already have the coffee habit when you get them and since it might hurt them mentally to take it away from them, you let them go ahead and try to cut down on it as much as possible," he answered.

"Down in the business districts like Wall St.," he continued, "I see great big healthy looking guys eating like little birds. They're smart. Some of them are old football players and as big as heavyweights, but they shouldn't eat like heavyweights because they all have sit-down jobs and are not burning up much energy."

Inquiring *about* among other conditioners I found them all in pretty much agreement. The between-meals eater is a bit of a problem, because depriving him of various tidbits may not work out well psychologically. Most of them agreed it was necessary to cater to such taste but only to a limited degree. Especially since such things as ice cream and candy usually are the boxers' cravings.

All of them sounded solemn warnings against eating too much by the average unathletic person. Most of them took issue with the general practice of three meals a day.

"You have to be doing heavy work to take in three heavy meals a day. Most people today do light work and all that food is not good for them," advises well-preserved Jack Moore, a 70-year-old conditioner who looks years younger.

Most people who have seen him at the table call Rocky Marciano the biggest eater of all the heavyweight champions. Besides the king-sized meals he puts away the Brockton Blockbuster is always hungry and is a champion between-meals nibbler.

"The only arguments me and Rocky ever have is over that eatin' between meals. I'll go up to his room and under his pillow I'll find a bunch of bananas he's hidin' from me. I've found a lot of fighters have to be made to eat certain things and to work hard, with Rocky it's just the opposite, you have to keep after him all the time to keep him from eatin' too much and workin' too hard," discloses trainer Charley Goldman.

Marciano is able to assimilate large quantities of food because he is an unusually vigorous gym worker and burns it up as rapidly as he puts it in. The Massachusetts Italian who is a typical New England Puritan in a lot of ways, not only doesn't smoke or drink, he doesn't even cuss! The heavyweight champion is also fond of swimming, and it comes as a surprise to most folks when Goldman says he approves of his going in for this. It has been a long time belief with many people that swimming is not good for a boxer since it tends to soften the muscles. Goldman doesn't go along with this theory.

"To me it's good exercise, Rocky really believes that swimming helped his punchin' and who am I to stop something which he thinks is doin' him a lot of good. The only stuff I don't like for fighters is weight lifting and things like that that put too much strain on a fighter's muscles," declared little Charley.

In their off moments many fighters are movie fans, although Marciano is not. He likes to read and is a detective story devotee. Condition is so important to a boxer that his day to day doings seldom deviate from a rather dreary routine. That is the price that must be paid for success in the ring. Early to bed, early to rise isn't just a motto for a pugilist, it's a must. Lee Oma, Tony Janiro, Charley Weinert, Kid Chocolate, Lew Jenkins, Jimmy Slattery, all did well in the ring but nowhere near as well as they would have done had they been willing to adhere to the Spartan life the ring demands.

Outside of meal time there are few pleasures suitable for the ambitious boxer. Dancing is frowned upon by most trainers, "keeps 'em out too late!" they tell you. For a time it looked like Kid Gavilan was going to rhumba himself right out of the picture, but the kid got married and caught hold of himself.

Too much car riding, disturbs the conditioners also. "It makes 'em lazy and a lot of them like to drive too fast, look at ol' Jack Johnson. He'd 'a lived to a hundred but he had to go 90 miles an hour whenever he got behind a wheel."

In spite of the trainer's uneasiness about cars, they haven't been able to do much about it. Since their fun is so limited, and this is the age of the automobile, the first thing a boxer usually gets when he can afford it is a car. Roland LaStarza has gone them one better, he is now flying his own plane, as Manager Jimmy De Angelo, a man who will invent worries if none exist, gets grayer every day.

Trainers and managers are thankful for the movies which take care of much of the fighter's spare time harmlessly, and for television which keeps him contented at home and out of the way of temptation. There probably never was a greater movie fan amony the boxers than Joe Louis, Joe never got tired of seeing them, particularly westerns.

Frustrated ball players are frequent among fighters, going as far back as John L. Sullivan and James J. Corbett, a couple of ring immortals who had professional ambitions. It is well known that Marciano was a ball player long before he took up boxing, and Joe Louis had baseball leanings too.

Joe once toured the country with a soft ball unit, and he was the No. 1 rooter for the Detroit Tigers for years. Boxers are regular attendees at baseball games, this, of course, meets with the complete approval of trainers and managers.

Not all of the hobbies of famous fighters add to the trainers' peace of mind. There was nothing anybody could do about Lew Jenkins dashing madly about town on his motorcycle, and the task of getting Maxie Rosenbloom to bed before midnight was finally given up as a hopeless job. These were exceptions though.

Most boxer's pastimes must be geared to his daily routine of physical hardness and health and for this reason it is to the advantage of the average person to study them and take heed. Meals are regular and adjusted to the amount of energy burned up by the individual, with proteins and minerals in abundance. Plenty of rest never hurt anyone, fighters have to go to bed early since daybreak finds them on the road running. While no such demand is made of the ordinary citizen, extra hours of sleep will do him good too. Frequent physical checkups are mandatory for fighters. They are vital to pugilists, but at the same time mighty important for all of us, particularly those of middle age.

..MANY BOXERS HAD BASEBALL AMBITIONS..

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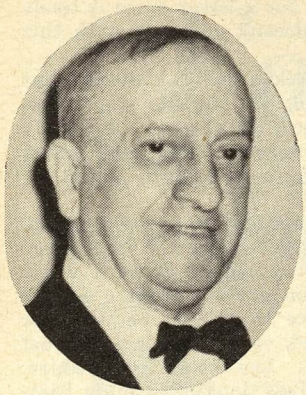


Nat FLEISCHER says:

I.B.C. Settles TV Issue

McCarthy, Sullivan, Top English Prospects

Robert Cohen Best France Has to Offer

(N.F. Reports From England)

President Eisenhower, flanked by Joe DiMaggio (left) and world heavyweight boxing champion Rocky Marciano, talk over worldly topics after an informal luncheon at the White House. The President, an avid sports fan, has an open ear to men in all walks of life.

THE manner on which Don Cockell outscored Johnny Williams to win the British and British Empire heavyweight championship was workman-like and the upset brought on considerable adverse comment from the boxing public in re the extremely poor condition of heavyweight boxing in the British Isles. But the British fight fans should be consoled. Where in other parts of the world, particularly in America, the home of heavyweight champions and contenders, is the situation any better?

The scribes have been belittling Cockell, calling attention to the fact that 11 months ago he was halted by Randy Turpin, British Empire middleweight titleholder, yet now Don holds the heavyweight crown! Not one paper gave him credit for the cool, calculating manner in which he whipped the champion who entered the ring a 1 to 4 favorite!

Instead, they took the hide out of him, calling him a bloated, hog-fat challenger, the worst heavyweight ever to ascend the British throne. At least they gave him that distinction, but in my book, he deserved considerable credit for pulling the chestnuts out of the fire after four rounds during which it appeared that at any moment he either would collapse because of his physical makeup, or would be put to the canvas with one of Williams' sharp, effective jabs, one of the best in the game.

Despite the protests of Johnny and my good friend, Ted Broadribb, his manager, there was no reason for any protest of the decision. Johnny was easily whipped. I had him behind on the American scoring system by nine points to six and by nine rounds to six, and his defeat is a fair indication to what extent British boxing has fallen. But let's not gloat over it. Pity that the British have no heavyweight of distinction who can increase the interest in the division. Had the British such a fighter, international boxing would receive a big boom now that Jersey Joe Walcott, the perpetual challenger and former champion, is out of the picture and we have in America less than a handful of talent worthy of the designation of challengers.

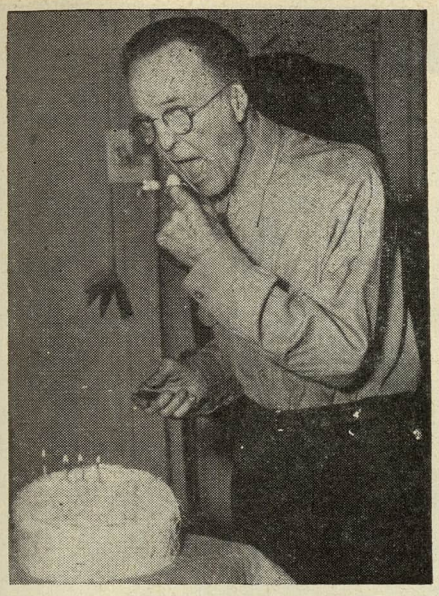
They are talking here about matching Don Cockell with Roland LaStarza should the New Yorker be shunted aside in his demand for a shot at Marciano's crown, one to which he is entitled because of the closeness of their previous engagement before Rocky won the heavyweight championship. But my advice to Jack Solomons is to let good enough alone. I advised that he keep the one heavyweight the British Empire now has from being knocked out so that competition may be arranged with a few of the newcomers to build up new talent in England, rather than have Don Cockell manhandled by LaStarza or any of our other dozen or more heavyweights who can put him out of the picture in far less time than it took him to win the British heavyweight crown.

Sammy McCarthy, of Stepney, England, a classy featherweight performer who resembles Tommy Collins as a cocky and confident little fighter.

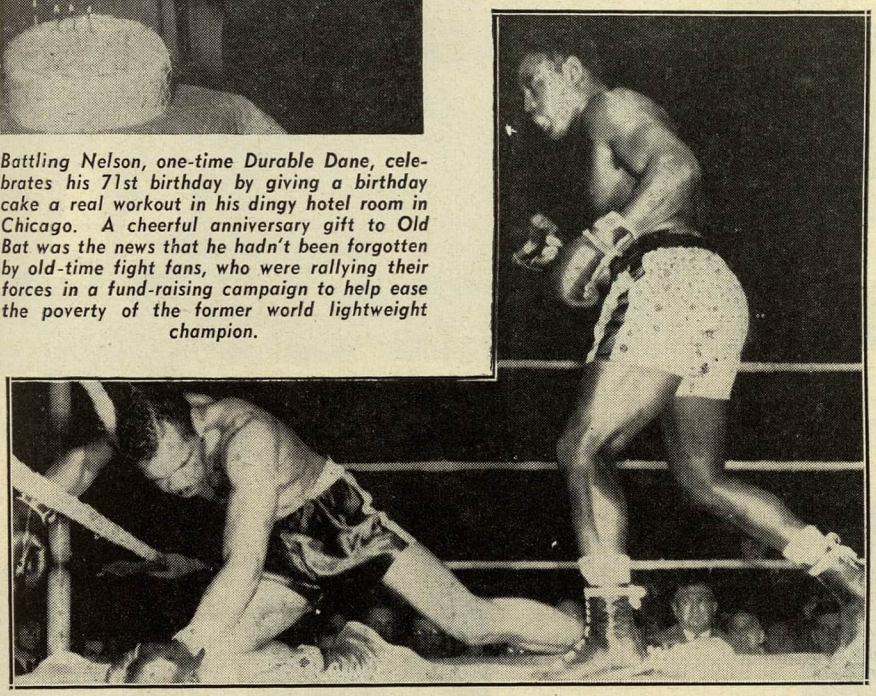
THE British have a featherweight who is a classy performer though he doesn't measure up as yet to our best. His name is Sammy McCarthy, of Stepney, the same lad about whom I raved when I visited England ten months ago. In his general fighting style he resembles Willie Pep, except that Willie's cleverness is lacking. But he is a good, sharp hitter, always on his toes, takes a blow nicely and is ever on the offense.

If Pep should desire a trip abroad, a fight between Pep and McCarthy would be an enjoyable treat for the British fight fans, but I'm afraid that Willie is too well schooled for the likes of Sammy at this stage of McCarthy's career.

Like Tommy Collins of Boston, McCarthy appears to be a cocky little fighter whose confidence in himself might result disastrously for him, as it did for Collins. He and Collins would make a good match. In fact I think a better one from a British point of view than one with Pep. Collins, it



Battling Nelson, one-time Durable Dane, celebrates his 71st birthday by giving a birthday cake a real workout in his dingy hotel room in Chicago. A cheerful anniversary gift to Old Bat was the news that he hadn't been forgotten by old-time fight fans, who were rallying their forces in a fund-raising campaign to help ease the poverty of the former world lightweight champion.



Ezzard Charles, former heavyweight champion, drops Larry Watson to the canvas for the fourth time in the fifth round at Milwaukee. Charles, in a relentless campaign to regain the title, ended the bout in that round

will be recalled, knocked out Ronnie Clayton, the Blackpool feather whom I recently saw win his second Lord Lonsdale belt when he stopped Freddie King of Wandsworth, and Ronnie, the British will acknowledge, is no set-up for anyone. When Ronnie won the fight with King, he equalled the record of Nel Tarleton, the only other Britisher to win the Lord Lonsdale belt outright twice.

In John L. Sullivan, who recently returned from an extended stay in America, the British have high hopes that with further development, he will rise to the heights and eventually take Randy Turpin's place in the middleweight division. Despite his recent setback in which one-quarter of a point made the difference between a draw and a defeat, critics see in Johnny a coming star. They're even talking about him as a future heavyweight prospect. The general impression in England is that Johnny, who was far below weight in his last fight is rapidly growing and ere long will find himself out of the middleweight and into the cruiserweight division.

Johnny and Sammy McCarthy, honored at "Boxing's" Annual Sportsmen's Luncheon at the Albany Club, were called England's outstanding prospects and possible future world champions. England's hopes rest on a few up-and-coming youngsters among whom these two are the best.

After watching Yolande Pompee in action at Birmingham against Roland Guille, I came to the conclusion—this being the third time I saw him fight—that he will do as an opponent against our top light-heavies. It is my opinion that it would be wise not to have him tackle Archie Moore, but he'd make a good showing against Harry (Kid) Matthews, Joey Maxim, Harold Johnson, Danny Nardico and Jimmy Slade. According to most of the British critics, Slade outpointed Pompee in their last battle though the verdict went against him, but Yolande has improved considerably and hits well enough to make it interesting for any of the boys in his class.

Johnson would be the toughest opponent, other than Moore, they could pick for Pompee if he comes to the States and Maxim, even though he has gone back a lot, would probably outpoint the British West Indian because of his cleverness. However, Pompee would do well in the United States and would be a welcome addition to our fighting boys.

THE attacks of the British press on American commissions that are permitting Ray Wilding to fight in the United States despite the ban placed on him by the British Board of Boxing Control, is most unfair. Not that I think that Wilding should continue his ring career despite the edict against such continuance by the British Board, but because of the failure of the British Boxing Board of Control's Medical Advisor, according to the statement issued by Robert Christenberry, Chairman of the New York Commission, to forward to him and the National Boxing Association a complete report of the medical findings that caused the suspension. Fighting Bob, stating the case of Ray Wilding vs. the U. S. Commissions before the European Boxing Congress, declared that the B.B.B. of C., had not fulfilled its obligation by giving the Americans the report of Wilding's physical examination. According to Wilding, no physical examination had ever been given him other than a speedy look at his eyes.

Since seven medical examiners representing every field of medical science had passed on Wilding favorably in New York where he still has no license to perform in accordance with the mutual agreement with the B.B.B. of C., it seems that the best way to settle further attacks is for the B.B.B. of C. to send its adverse medical report on Wilding to the American Commissions, if it has one, or to accept the findings of the U. S. physicians and surgeons, thereby calling a halt to the nonsensical attacks that have appeared in print through a lack of what actually had taken place.

The British Board told the members of the European Boxing Union that it did not possess any medical report other than a statement from its official doctor that after looking into Wilding's eyes he asked Ray whether he suffered head pains and Wilding informed him that at times he did. Based on that statement, without any other tests, the suspension of Wilding's license for a year was put into effect. In New York, however, Ray had a thorough going-over by seven top-ranking specialists in their field.

INTEREST in the world middleweight championship fight to be fought in the U. S. is at high pitch. In fact, even before the Turpin-Humez bout took place, that contest received far more attention abroad than did the Marciano-Walcott bout. Throughout Europe the middleweight situation received considerable comment. Everywhere, the refusal of the U. S. bodies to recognize the European victor as world champion received wide attention.

Bobby Dawson, the American middleweight who has lost only one bout in England, that against Alex Buxton, but three months later reversed the decision stopping Buxton in the seventh round, is well thought of in Europe. Abroad they thought he belonged in the world eliminations. They call him here "the brilliant American" who can find plenty of work on this side of the ocean, but cannot obtain any lucrative bouts in America. Why, they ask, is such a good fighter ignored by his own people?

Dawson, besides losing and stopping Buxton, has victories over Ron Pudney, Jimmy Davis, twice; Duggie Miller, Gordon Hazell, twice; and Wally Beckett whom he defeated at Freddie Miller's Empress Hall charity show on May 18.

Mel Brown is another American well thought of here. He informed me that Singapore is now the most lucrative spot for visiting boxers. There isn't a fight in Singapore

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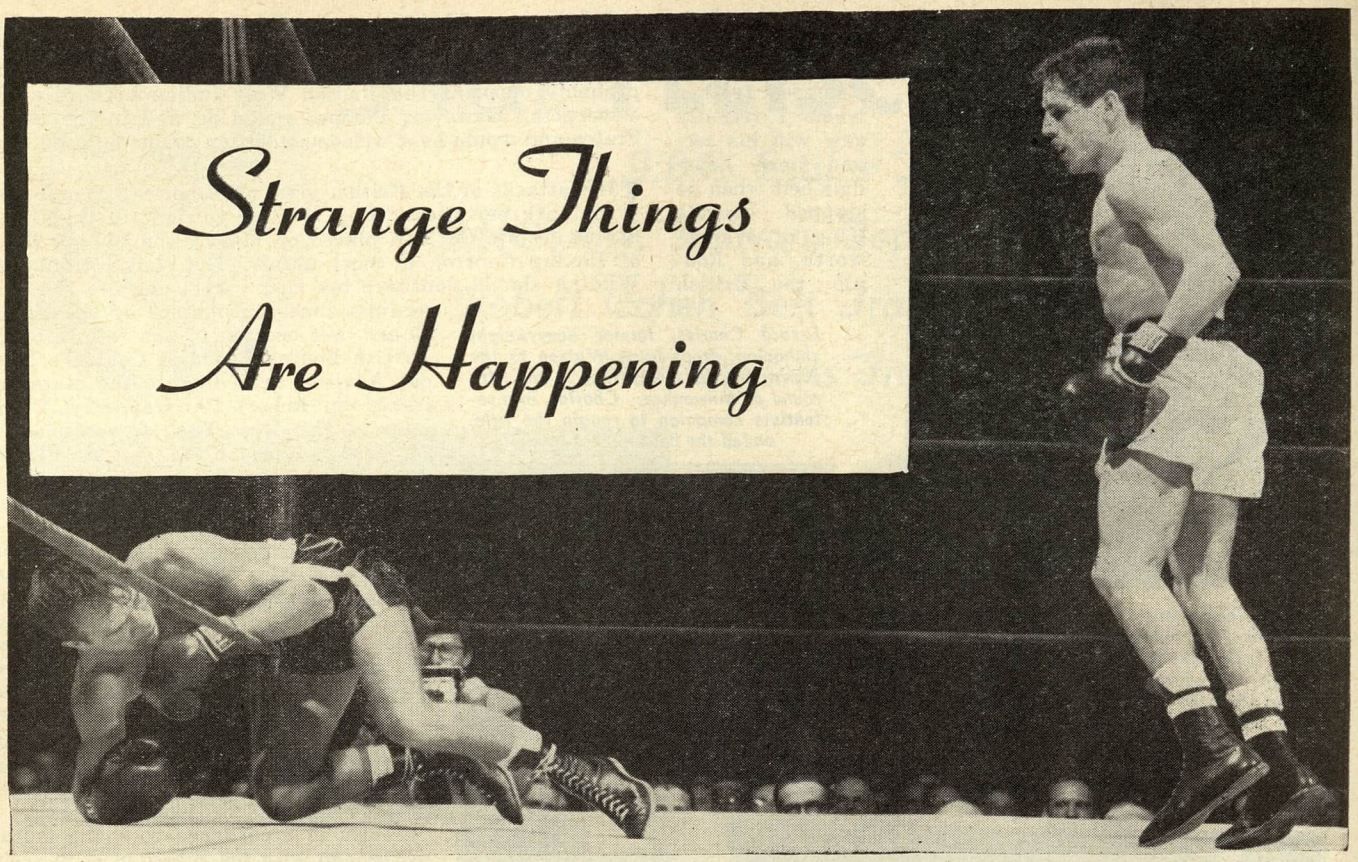
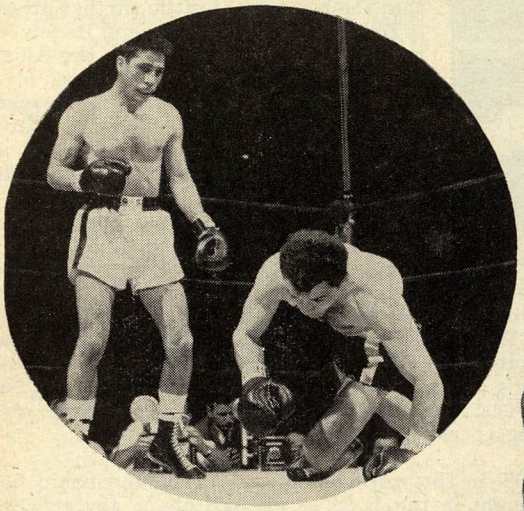
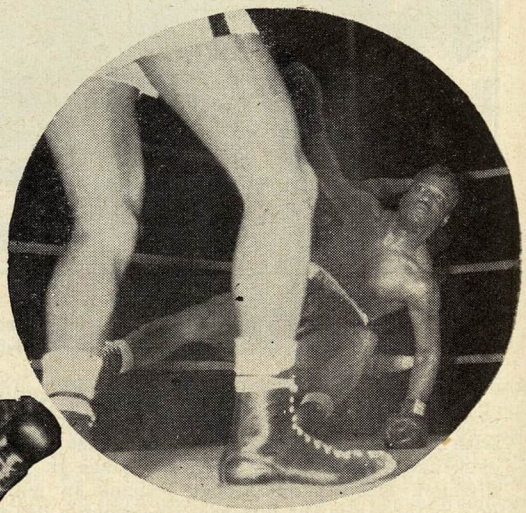
Strange Things Are Happening



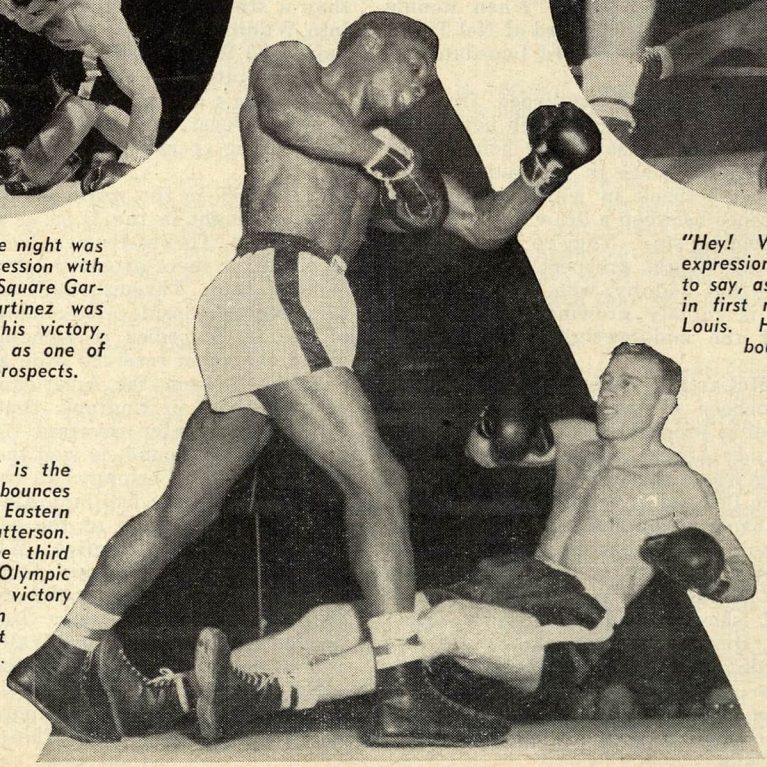


Another slip that passed in the night was Vince Martinez' in opening session with Danny Giovanelli, in Madison Square Garden. A heavy favorite, Martinez was beaten by young rival. By his victory, Giovanelli established himself as one of nation's best welterweight prospects.

Glen Flanagan wasn't trying to get away from it all. He missed a punch and wound up on the ropes in second round with Lulu Perez, in Madison Square Garden. Perez won decision, and cinched his rating with the world's leading featherweights.



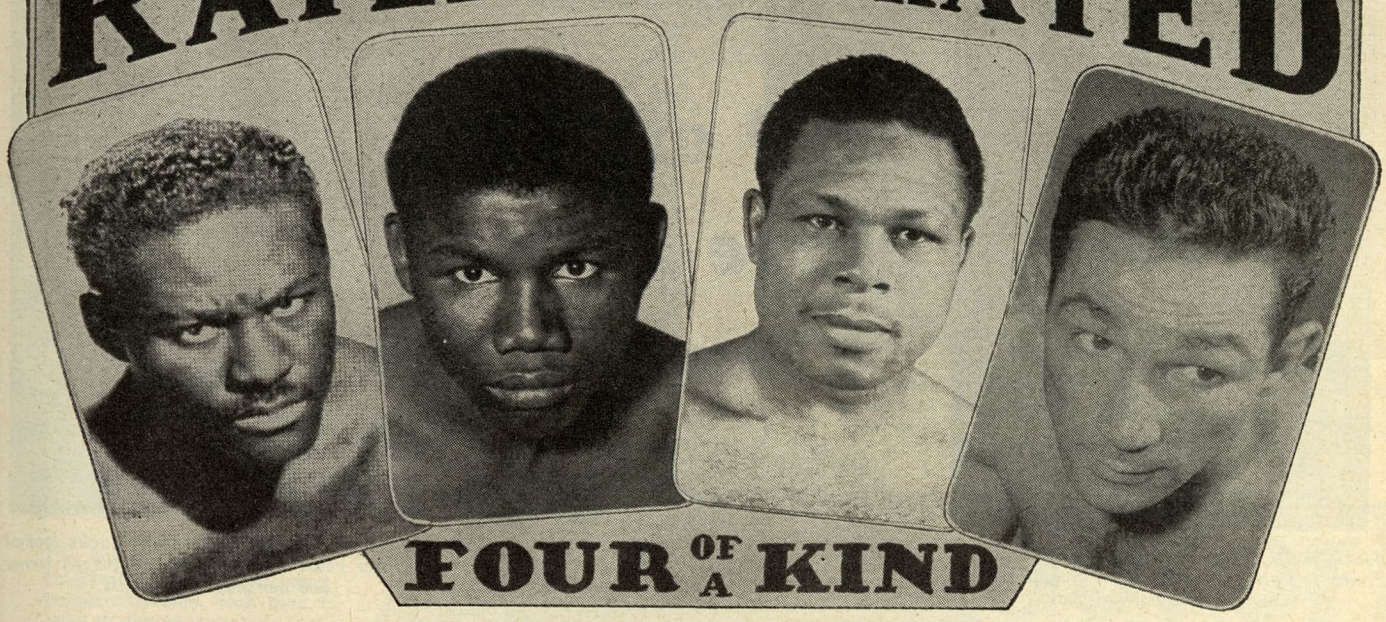
"Hey! Who done that?" the surprised expression on Norman Hayes' face seems to say, as Boston middleweight hits deck in first round with Jesse Turner in St. Louis. Hayes lost decisicn in his last bout before going into Army.



"Oops! Here we go again!" is the old refrain, as Gordon Wallace bounces for fourth and last time in Eastern Parkway match with Floyd Patterson. Bout was halted early in the third round, giving Brooklyn's Olympic champion his seventh straight victory as a pro and serving warning on light-heavyweight leaders that he's closing in on them rapidly.

THE DOWN BEAT

RATED AND BERATED



Ezzard Charles *Jimmy Bivins* *Archie Moore* *Willie Pep*

Ten year survey shows its ratings have habit of standing up.

By JOHNNY SALAK

WE don't know whether anyone yet has done research on the average number of years a professional fighter campaigns. For the general run of boxers, we would say it is no more than four years. A champion's fighting lifetime would be placed at a dozen years.

It would be interesting to delve into. For the time being, however, we will concern ourselves only with rated fighters of the past ten years.

This all came about during a "spring cleaning" of a desk, out of which cascaded manuscripts, photos, long-forgotten mementoes and telephone numbers we were supposed to dial, match-stick-size pencils and a conglomeration of what-not. Several booklets, containing the monthly Ring Ratings of fighters and prospects since 1943, were included.

While not the most unusual thing to come to light, it nevertheless appeared to be something to look into. Rating eighty fighters each month and listing eight likely prospects is no easy matter. Even if *The Ring* has been doing it for over twenty-five years.

It's a simple thing to make an error in judgment, especially when you're trying to assay the values of such intangibles as the merits and demerits of fighters. There are too many factors involved to be 100 percent correct all the time.

So *The Ring* is happy to look back and settle for the near-perfect record it has accumulated through the years. And further, the listing of prospects might be a dangerous thing to have on record—if you're short of ability, which the staff of *The Ring*, humbly admits, it is not.

The Ring points out that more than fifty percent of the men who are rated in this issue were at one time listed as "Prospects of the Month," usually after only a few professional bouts.

Checking through these booklets we note—rather surprisingly—just what a decade means among top notch fighters. Just four men now active were rated ten years ago—Jimmy Bivins, Ezzard Charles, Archie Moore and Willie Pep—and all four are still among the top ten in their divisions.

BIVINS held an unusual distinction in the August, 1943, issue, being rated No. 1 in two divisions, light-heavyweight and heavyweight. This raised a couple of eyebrows, both belonging to the writer, for furiously checking through the next ten years we find that Bivins, after forsaking the lighter division, remained with amazing consistency among the first ten in the heavyweight rankings. During that time no one even gave him a tumble, as far as a title shot was concerned.

During his career Bivins fought ten men who, at one time or another, held a world championship, in fact fought them on twenty-three occasions. The list includes two victories in three bouts with Anton Christoforidis; a win over Teddy Yarosz; an even split in three fights (one was a draw) with Melio Bettina; a win over Billy Soose; a decision over Gus Lesnevich; a toss-up after two encounters with Joey Maxim; a win, three losses and being stopped once by Ezzard Charles; a kayo over and being stopped once and losing once to the present light-heavyweight champion Archie Moore; a loss to Jersey Joe Walcott and one to Joe Louis.

Checking further we find that, barring his first year as a pro, he met only two men in almost one hundred fights who were not rated at one time or another, Pete Tamalonis, whom he stopped in one, and George Parks, who extended him to four rounds before falling.

To top this off, look at the heavy-weight ratings in this issue, for there you will find Bivins still rated—No. 10 now. Far past his peak, but nevertheless of such ability which would make him a dangerous opponent for even the current heavyweight champion, there he is—ENDURANCE itself.

Charles, rated the No 2 light-heavyweight behind Bivins in the January issue that year, dropped to No. 8 by the August issue, having lost to Bivins and been stopped by Lloyd Marshall. He was in the service then, and those were his only two fights for the year.

Archie Moore ranked as the No. 2 middleweight contender behind champion Tony Zale and leading light Jake LaMotta. Moore had been rated years before that and not until last December did he get a crack at a championship—the light-heavyweight—and he went on to thoroughly trounce Joey Maxim to get the crown.

The only other man rated at the time was Pep, who held the title. After a hectic career which saw him classified with the greatest exponents of the noble art of boxing, he once more, having lost and won the title, has gained the niche as the No. 1 contender for the featherweight title held by Sandy Saddler, who is in the U. S. Army.

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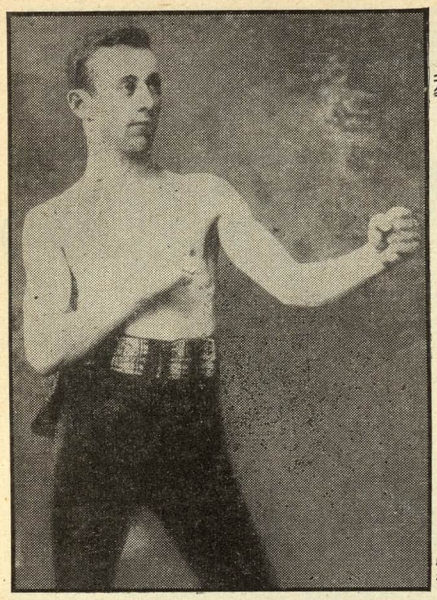


Jack Skelly, when he came out of the amateurs to fight for world featherweight title in his first professional bout.

Last of the Three Jacks

By JERSEY JONES

As the last of Brooklyn's Three Jacks looked in later years when he became tavern owner and newspaper columnist.

ONE by one, the Old Guard passes. In recent months there have been Jim Jeffries and Tom Sharkey and now Jack Skelly. Not many are left of the swashbuckling crowd that contributed so much to the boisterous history of the prize-ring during the closing decades of the nineteenth century.

Skelly was 83 when he was counted out in Queens General Hospital in Long Island. He was the last of Brooklyn's celebrated Three Jacks. The others were the original Jack Dempsey and Jack McAuliffe, long since departed from this restless sphere.

Skelly never was a world champion, as were middleweight Dempsey and lightweight McAuliffe, but he rated as one of the top featherweights of the horse-and-buggy era. Jack earned one rare distinction by fighting for a title in his first professional start. He lost in eight rounds to the great George Dixon in the second of three fights comprising the historic Carnival of Champions staged in New Orleans on successive days, February 5–6–7, 1892. In the first match, McAuliffe retained his lightweight laurels by knocking out Billy Myer, the Streator Cyclone, in the fifteenth round. The grand finale of the carnival was the heavyweight affair in which a cocky young bank clerk, James J. Corbett, scored his stunning 21-round triumph over the once mighty John L. Sullivan.

SKELLY was born in 1870, in Brooklyn's Williamsburg section, then populated mainly by Irish immigrants and their growing families. It was a rough and ready neighborhood, and a kid had to learn early how to handle his fists.

Jack was only twelve when his father died, and he had to quit school to help support his mother and two sisters. A couple of years later, as an apprentice in Palmer's Cooperage, he came in contact with Dempsey and McAuliffe, who also were working there. Both had been fighting on the side, Dempsey as a professional and McAuliffe as an amateur. The 22-year-old Dempsey was already recognized as one of the nation's top middleweights, while the 18-year-old McAuliffe, a bantam at the time, was beginning to attract attention as an exceptional prospect.

It was inevitable that his association with such illustrious co-workers would inspire fistic ambitions in the 14-year-old Skelly. He began to trail after Dempsey and McAuliffe and haunt the gymnasium where they trained. The older Jacks encouraged the youngster by sparring with him and schooling him in the rugged trade. It wasn't long before Skelly felt he was ready to try his luck in the ring. He entered his first amateur tournament and won.

For six years Skelly, fighting as a bantam, remained in the amateurs, while McAuliffe followed Dempsey on to professional glory. In those six years, the youngest and lightest of the Three Jacks compiled a remarkable record, winning every major title, national and international, for which he competed.

DESPITE his impressive achievements as an amateur, Skelly had no desire to turn professional. But he had fought himself out of simon-pure competition and had been inactive for two years when McAuliffe persuaded him to take on Dixon for the latter's featherweight laurels in that New Orleans carnival.

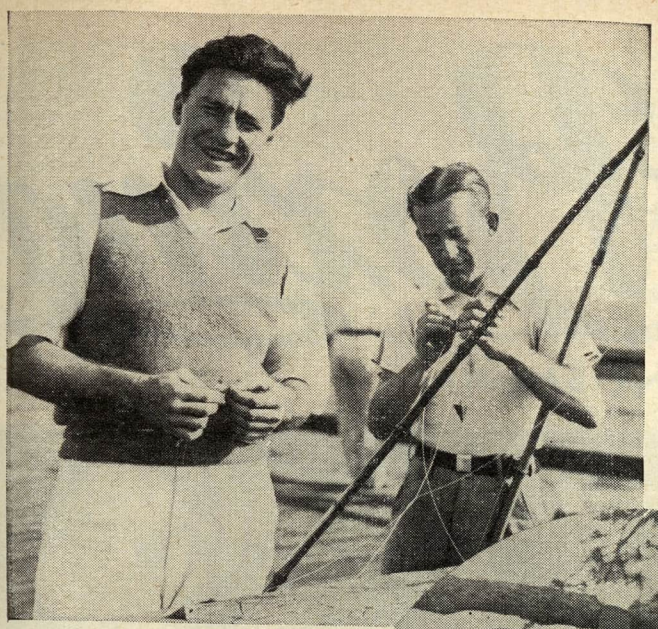
Though beaten by Dixon, Skelly made a fine showing against Little Chocolate, and established himself as one of the world's top featherweights. It was three years before he was beaten again, and then by Frank Erne, who later became lightweight champion. Erne stopped Skelly twice in 1895, first in seven rounds at Maspeth, Long Island, then in nine at the New Manhattan Club in New York. Two years later Skelly announced his retirement from the ring when Tommy White knocked him out in five rounds at the New York A. C.

Financially, Skelly had done well for himself during his years as a fighter, and when he hung up the mittens he went into business as a tavern owner in Yonkers, N. Y. He continued to keep active in boxing, not only managing and training fighters, but operating clubs in Brooklyn, Trenton and Scranton. Later, he turned to refereeing and writing, and for several years contributed a regular column to the sports pages of the Yonkers Herald. He also authored quite a few articles on boxing for press syndicates and national sports publications.

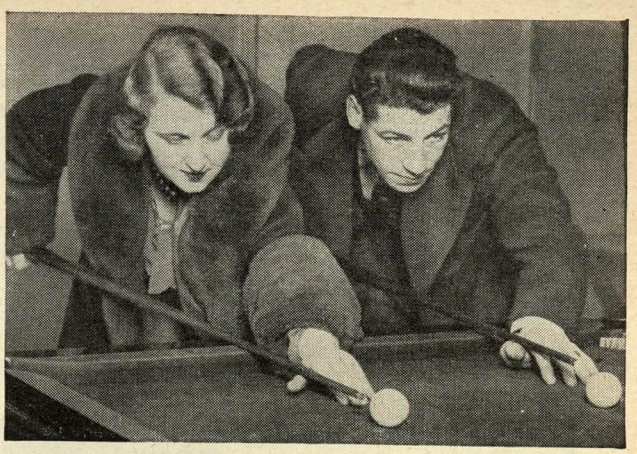
HIGHLY regarded as a referee, Skelly was named by Promoter Tex Rickard as alternate official for Jess Willard's only two fights as world heavyweight champion—with Frank Moran, in old Madison Square Garden, in 1916 and the new Jack Dempsey, in Toledo, in 1919. Skelly, however, didn't get to work either bout. He and "Eagle Eye" Charley White flipped a coin to decide who'd handle the Garden job, and White won. Political pressure forced a local referee, Ollie Pecord, into the Toledo assignment, but Skelly was present and ready to take over if an emergency developed.

With his children grown up and married, Jack decided, during the '20s, to dispose of his bar and grill in Yonkers, give up his other activities and retire to the less strenuous pursuits of a country gentleman in up-state New York. He and his wife lived for a while in Beacon, then in Poughkeepsie. Eventually, they shifted to Long Island, and the last years of Jack's long, eventful life were spent quietly in Richmond Hill.

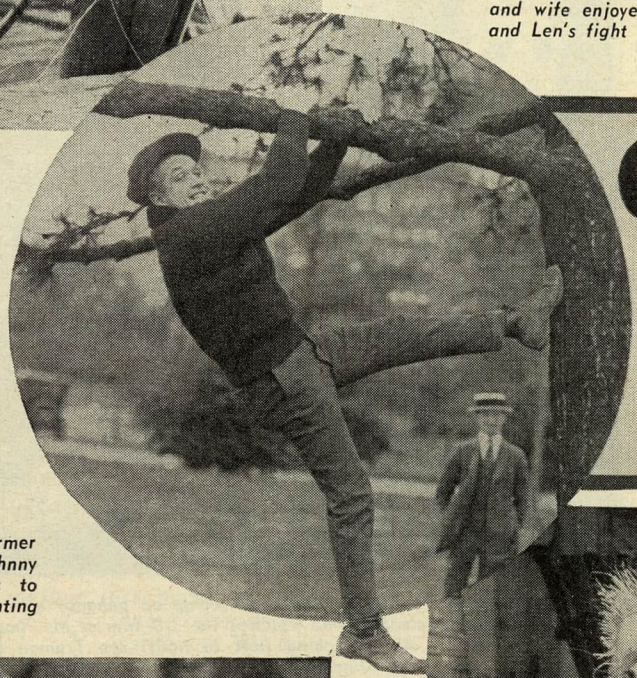
OUT OF THE RING



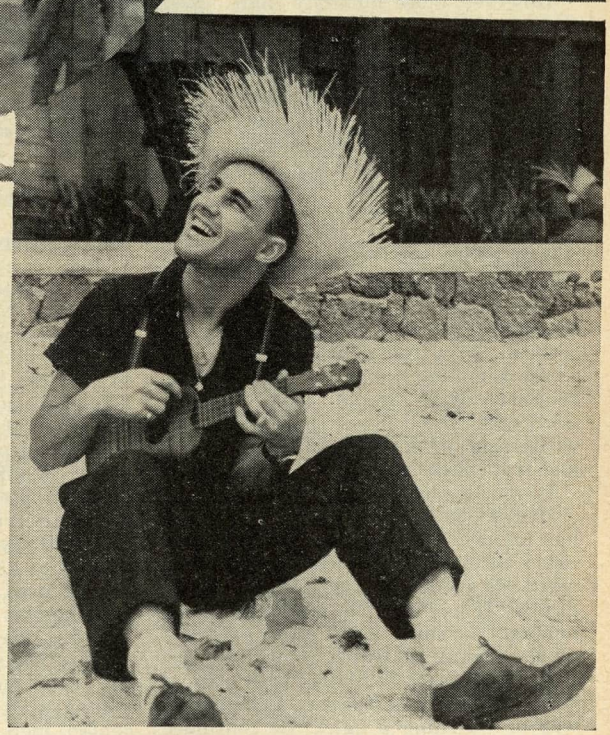
The big one got away! Tommy Loughran, the ex light-heavyweight champion, took time to relax during his training for the Carnera fight.



Any one for Snooker? Former British champion Len Harvey and wife enjoyed a game prior to leaving for the U. S. and Len's fight with Vince Dundee in 1931, which Harvey lost.



Out on a limb? No, former featherweight champion Johnny Kilbane used this means to keep in trim during his fighting days.



Harry Jeffra sings a serenade, "Laughin' on the Outside, Cryin' on the Inside", after losing bantamweight title to Sixto Escabar in Puerto Rico, February 1938.

It was a nice business, no wonder Georges Carpentier, the former light heavyweight champion, turned actor in "The Wonder Man."

TV & Boxing

By JOHNNY SALAK

THE ending of the Marciano-Walcott heavyweight championship fight, which left the Chicago Stadium patrons and the home-TV viewers in a quandry as to how and whether or not Jersey Joe Walcott was knocked out of time, was solved through the medium of a 3-dimensional motion picture production, the first ever made of a title bout.

The film proved conclusively that Walcott was knocked out three different ways, in length, breadth and depth. The controversy, which stormed after the brief encounter, was a blessing in disguise for the producers who must have felt that their initial offering would be unmarketable because the fight lasted only 2 minutes and 25 seconds.

However, more publicity than they could have hoped for at best developed for the film when Felix Bocchiccio, Walcott's manager, asked the Illinois Athletic Commission to review the manner in which the bout ended, claiming that his man had been given a short count. Viewers throughout the country also issued a monstrous groan at the conclusion of the fifth shortest heavyweight title bout on record.

Looking through rose-colored glasses and seeing an unhappy sight is Felix Bocchicchio (right), manager of Jersey Joe Walcott, as he watched the 3-D film of his "boy's" first-round defeat at the hands of Rocky Marciano. Also watching (left to right) are Truman Gibson, I.B.C. secretary; Livingston Osborne, chairman of the Illinois Athletic Commission; and John Behr, Commission member. Osborne later said, "The film shows very definitely that Walcott was on the floor of the count of ten."

The reams of newspaper copy, that followed the pre-release showing in several cities for newspapermen, was worth a million dollars in publicity and brought what would have been a mediocre film into the Hollywood vernacular of a "tremendous, colossal and stupendous classic."

It was a big "hit."

One of our New York colleagues, who has an army of readers, in his syndicated column even went so far as to warn his ardent followers about future fights. "If you want to see a fight from now on," he said, "don't go to an arena or stay home to watch it on TV, just wait until the 3-D film is presented at your neighborhood theater. It's the best way of watching a fight," he continued enthusiastically.

We can't go along with that. The first venture, by a freak occurrence, was a success. No doubt 3-D films of fights will also have future successes. But once the few remaining persons stop going to the arenas and everyone turns to another channel when a fight is on TV, there won't be any need for 3-D films of fights. There just won't be any fights at all.

On second thought, perhaps that's what the New York columnist had in mind all the time!

Three stereo-cine cameras were used to film the Marciano-Walcott fight. All 3-D operations are under the personal direction of Raphael G. Wolff, famed Hollywood producer.

Ray Wolff first developed the Highly Portable Stereo Cameras (the only kind of their type in existence) in 1947. Other Hollywood cameras now in use in studios are large and bulky and cannot be used at close quarters, such as at ringside.

Three stereo engineers are at the controls of the stereo camera units. This is the key job in 3-D motion picture photography, for they operate like fire control men on an anti-aircraft battery and must quickly do the calculations for inter-ocular and convergence to assure utmost dimension.

Had the fight gone the limit of 15 rounds, some 36,000 feet of black and white film would have been exposed. That being a lot of feet, Marciano decided to do his own exposing, with a right under the heart and a left hook.

A "DEMAND" for $5,000 per main-event fighter appearing on any coaxial television network went down the drainpipe when the International Boxing Guild, after a meeting with four major promoting outfits (including the International Boxing Club), made sweeping concessions and met the promoters more than halfway.

After September 15, the promoters will guarantee main-event fighters $4,000, but until September 15 they will grant slight increases, to preliminary fights only, of shows which are televised.

Since the Friday night main-event fighters are paid $3,600 each, the Wednesday fighters get a minimum of $2,000 each (but usually double or treble that figure) and the Monday night main eventers are in for $3,000 per man, the Guild's win in "increases" (actually set back three months, from June 15 to September 15) are slight indeed.

In addition to the above three regularly scheduled TV boxing shows, the Ridgewood Grove fights (Tuesday) pay each main eventer $1,000; Saturday Night Fights dishes out $1,500 per man; the Olympic Auditorium (Tuesday)

doles out $1,660; and the South Gate Arena gives out with $1,300.

The International Boxing Club, under the old agreement (which should have ended June 15) with the sponsor, received $22,000 for each of its Friday night shows, except when there is a special deal, such as a title fight of importance. It is committed, by agreement with the I.B.G., to spend a minimum of $5,600 on the preliminaries and the law requires payment of five per cent, or $1,100, to New York State. This in addition to the $3,600 to each main bout principal.

That leaves the I.B.C. with an $8,100 guarantee against rent, ushers, ticket office (ticket office?), and general operational expenses, which are naturally augmented by the receipts at the gate, meager though they have been of late. The fighters also share in those receipts, the main eventers usually splitting between 50 and 60 per cent of the figure.

The new agreement, of $4,000, applies only to television shows which are piped by cable to any point more than 65 miles from the arena in which the fight is held.

In its original demand the guild had stated that the new minimum (of $5,000 which they were then asking) go into effect on June 15. However, the promoters and sponsors were given permission to run through the summer until the September 15 date at the current rates.

In return for permitting the summer run, the promoters agreed to boost the purses of preliminary boys during the summer and thereafter. From June 15 on, a six-round fighter who had been getting $100 on a supporting card of a TV show now will receive $150; and a four-round fighter who had been getting $50 will receive $75.

SEVERAL days later a meeting of I.B.G. officials in San Francisco (it was necessary to transport them out there in droves?) reaffirmed the minimum fee for network television as a result of a dispute between Northern and Southern California Guild members over television fees. Aside from the fact that it was a local argument and they merely reiterated what they had agreed on in New York, some of the Guild members traveled out to California to be near the scene of their own fighters' bouts.

The IBG laid out specific plans and fees for allowing bouts to be TV'ed in California.

Jack Kearns, I.B.G. secretary and manager of Joey Maxim, who fights for the light-heavyweight title at Ogden, Utah on June 24, said Northern California members were dissatisfied with deals they received in Southern California. Kearns also stated that fighters have received as little as $1,500 for a televised network bout, a figure that is generous indeed for they, on some shows, receive much less.

Because of this, televising of boxing shows in the Southland (of California) faces elimination entirely, or on a greatly curtailed basis, unless the TV sponsors decide to put up much more money.

The South Gate Arena and the Olympic Auditorium, videoing locally in their sections, will have to come up with $2,000 TV money, or no I.B.G. fighter will appear on their shows. And the Hollywood Legion Stadium has been notified that it has until September 15 to either cancel its contract to telecast fights to San Diego and San Francisco or fall in line with the $4,000 stipend for each main-event fighter. If the Legion decides to drop the San Diego and San Francisco outlets, then they will fall into the same category as South Gate and the Olympic.

It's highly improbable that the Legion sponsors, with just two out-of-town outlets, will be able to ante up $8,000 for just the main event. At present it is believed the Legion is getting around $2,200 for the entire show.

Charley Johnston, president of the I.B.G., said it would be up to the California Guilds to negotiate with the boxing clubs and demand a look at the TV contracts. The Guilds will also demand the right to slice up the $2,000 TV melon. Minimum purses for prelim fighters will be $70 for a four rounder and $150 for a six rounder.

The I.B.G. also offered to take in members of the Southern California Boxing Managers Association, headed by Bert Lewis.

"If they join now," said Johnston, "the local Guild must take them in without any initiation fees and assurance of no future repercussions. And they can have representation with the I.B.G."

SINCE South Gate opened to pros with TV, on April 27, the Southern California chapter of the I.B.G. has been boycotting the club and any fighters, managers and seconds who worked there, because of the I.B.G.-regarded insufficient TV money.

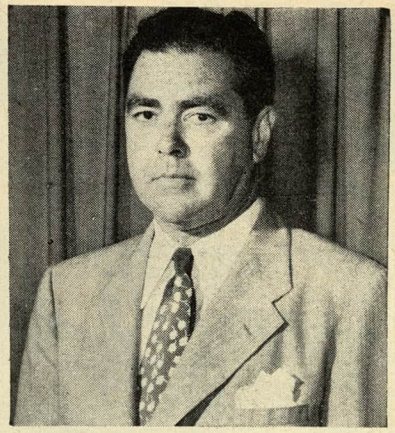
However, some members of the Northern California chapter of the Guild ignored the Southland group and used fighters on the card. But after the meeting it was disclosed that all is harmony between the two guilds and following fulfillment of contracts the Northern group will no longer supply S. G. with any talent.

On top of this conclave came the report that the Hollywood Legion Stadium and the American Broadcasting Company are negotiating to telecast Legion fights to Portland, Ore., and that they probably would also move on to Seattle, Wash., after that.

This would indicate that the Legion Stadium is preparing to dish out the $4,000 per each main eventer because of the San Diego and San Francisco outlets and will attempt to pay off with added sponsorship on a larger network.

The South Gate Arena fights (seen over KHJ-TV) Monday nights are promoted by Frank Pasquale, with Lou King as matchmaker. The show runs two and one-half hours, beginning at 9 P.M., P.S.T., with three four-round prelims, a six-round semi-final and a ten-round main event being presented.

Mark Scott, popular West Coast sportscaster, is at ringside for KHJ-TV to report the blow-by-blow accounts of all the fights, as well as giving the commentary on the highlights and color.



Jim Norris, head of the International Boxing Club, who bargained with I.B.G. over television money and didn't come away second best.

South Gate has been hurt badly by this battle between the guilds, with entire undercards being pulled out, wholesale boycotts being imposed and blacklists galore being prepared. Prior to the I.B.G. meeting, in San Francisco, members of the Southland I.B.G. were given lists of fighters and managers who had worked at South Gate Arena. Under threat of expulsion from the guild, members could not meet either the fighters named or other boxers handled by the managers listed.

BOXING may become a television studio sport sooner than we realize, if the plans of Jack Begun, Chicago promoter and fight manager, go through.

He recently asked the Illinois Athletic Commission for permission to stage major boxing matches in television studios. A Chicago firm would sponsor the fights, he said.

Under his plan, boxers would be paid $12,500 each and the bouts would be televised over a national network on Monday nights, from 7:30 to 8:30. The auditorium selected would seat a "studio audience" of 999, Begun said, with admission starting at $10.

Begun added that if permission were granted there would be at least nineteen fights televised from Chicago, and others from San Francisco, St. Louis, New York and Cleveland to make up a series of thirty-nine.

"We'll pay the fighters as television performers, which they are," he said.

The commission has told Begun to present a more detailed outline, with names, dates and locations. We would like Begun to give us a detailed outline on where he intends to find 999 persons who would be willing to pay an admission "starting at $10" and also where he found a sponsor who will have to toss in a minimum of at least $50,000 per show.

What Jack has begun, we doubt he can begin.

THE Phonevision film shown to a group of boxing writers, in Chicago, prior to the Marciano-Walcott fight, found that group to be alert to the

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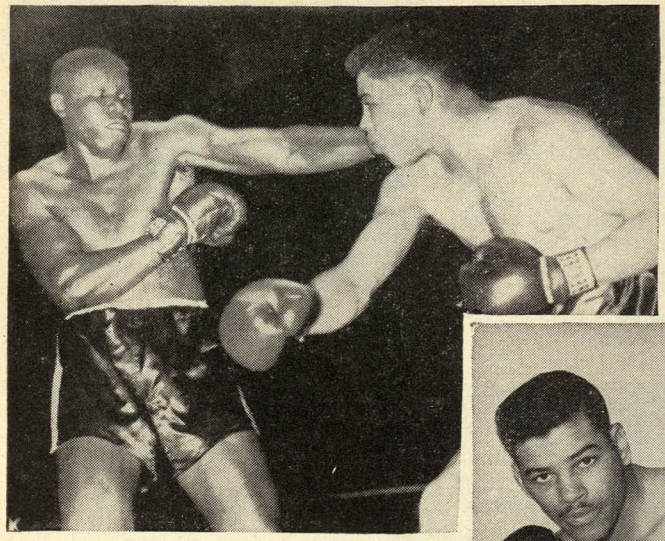
NOW THEY RATE

By FRED EISENSTADT



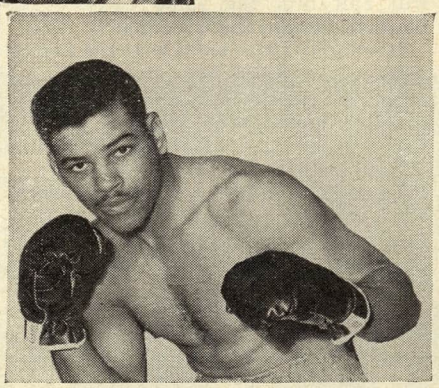
Tommy Harrison (right) ready to land a left hook to jaw of Jimmy Bivins, as the latter missed with his own left jab. Tommy's win over Bivins and other fine heavyweight showings have moved him up in the ratings.

THE glowing light that eludes many talented people, deserving success, finally cast its rays on two boxers who have been forced to fight Destiny, as well as their ring rivals. Art Persley has much too long been displaying his fistic skill in comparative obscurity; only lately coming to the fore.

Tommy Harrison—though he hasn't been boxing nearly as long as Persley—has had an up-and-down boxing career. He's beaten a number of good scrappers, which lifted him toward the top, then was beaten by his victims, which dropped him to the bottom again. But skill, pluck and determination cannot be denied—and Harrison, being equipped with that, and more, has finally arrived.

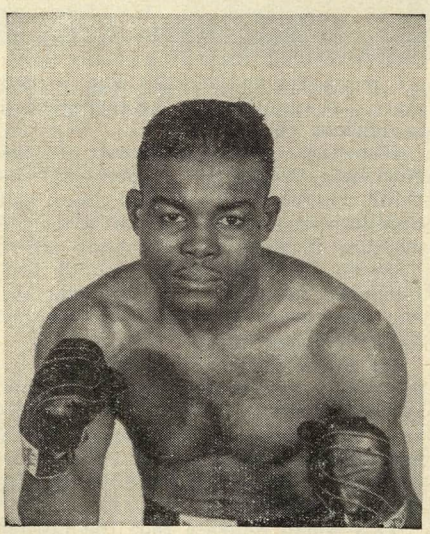
Arthur Persley

AFTER years of struggling along the Fistic Trail, surmounting many troublesome obstacles, lightweight Arthur Persley is finally gaining recognition. At last the fight world will be able to see him against top-ranking fighters. Perseverance pays—it's paying Persley. He never permitted discouragement to halt his fistic career; the mild-mannered young man had faith in himself, in his fighting ability. He kept right on, small purses notwithstanding. And now he has arrived.

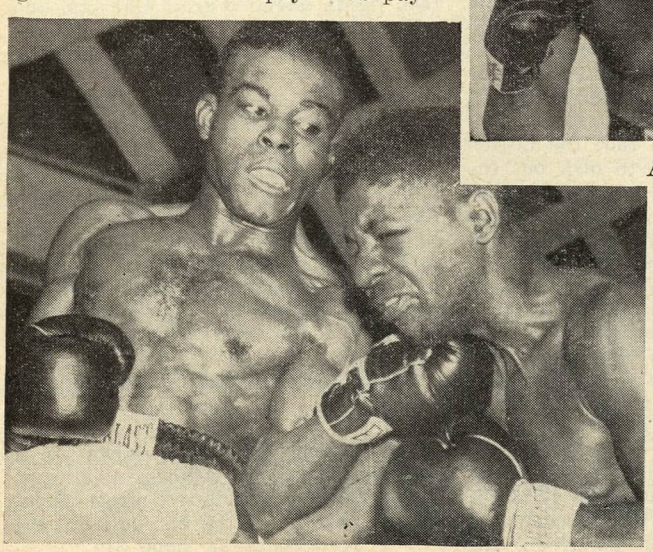


Tommy Harrison

Persley's springboard to recognition was Roy Andrews, whom he halted at the Garden in six heats, after handing him a terrific shellacking. That win earned him a main event at the Ridgewood Grove. Then he decisively defeated a tough southpaw trial-horse, Harold (Baby-Face) Jones, who's beaten such ringmen as Tony Chavez, Charley Salas, John L. Davis, Freddie Herman, Georgie Dunn, Johnny Williams and others.



Arthur Persley



Arthur Persley (left) lands with hard left uppercut to jaw of Percy Bassett. Persley's win over Bassett, featherweight interim champ, finally brought him recognition as one of the top rated world lightweights.

Born in Red Cross, La., 29 years ago, Arthur quit grammar school in the sixth grade to become a delivery boy. At 18 he went to work in Baton Rouge as a car-washer—and began to fight as a pro, disdaining amateur boxing.

"I joined the Army a year later," informs the soft-voiced, young man. "During my five-year hitch I had about twenty bouts in England, and held the ETO lightweight title for nine months." He was attached to General Patton's 3rd Armored Division and received shrapnel wounds in Germany.

Discharged in March, 1946, he joined his mother at Shreveport, La., where he studied mechanics under the GI Bill of Rights. W. H. Williamson, owner of the school, saw Persley fighting in a local arena and became interested in him and helped him financially. Later he sent Arthur to New York. That same year Persley married Ceola Office, a working girl.

When Persley finishes his gym-work he comes home and prepares dinner—being an expert cook.

Possessor of a stiff damaging left his right is also power packed. Persley is aggressive, ever pressing his opponents, punching all the time. He's fought and beaten such welter-weights as Richie Orange, George B. Smith, Danny Womber and Bobby Lloyd. Among his lightweight victims are: Virgil Akins, Jimmy Watkins and Carl Coates.

"Persley has an amazing record," testifies manager Jackie Levine. He has lost but two of his 98 fights. Arthur reversed his loss to Joey Brown; but I can't get Luther Rawlings to give Persley a return bout. I'm more anxious to get my protege a shot at the lightweight title—because I have a feeling that he can win it."

His latest triumph was over Georgie Dunn.

Tommy Harrison

DURING the time Tommy Harrison acted as chief sparring partner for Rocky Marciano, the heavyweight

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BOXING QUEEN OF 1953

(Above) Twinkle, twinkle, little winkie. Our boxing queen has the footwork of a dancing and skating master.
(Below) "Keep your right hand high," says the queen "so you won't be a sucker for a left hook."

BOXING has had many kings of the ring. For the first time in history it will now crown a queen, "Miss Boxing Glove of 1953," a charming 17-year-old high-school senior, Clay Keene Bernard, who has been associated with the game in many capacities—except that of active participant—since she was a wee one and one-half years old.

The crowning achievement will take place at the thirty-fourth annual convention of the National Boxing Association at Las Vegas, Nev., September 13–16.

Based upon beauty of face and figure, personality and background in association with boxing, the honor of being the first "Miss Boxing Glove" easily fell to Miss Bernard, 120-pound, dark-eyed blonde, who attends the Holten-Arms School in Washington, D. C. Pardoning the intended pun, the title fits her like a glove.

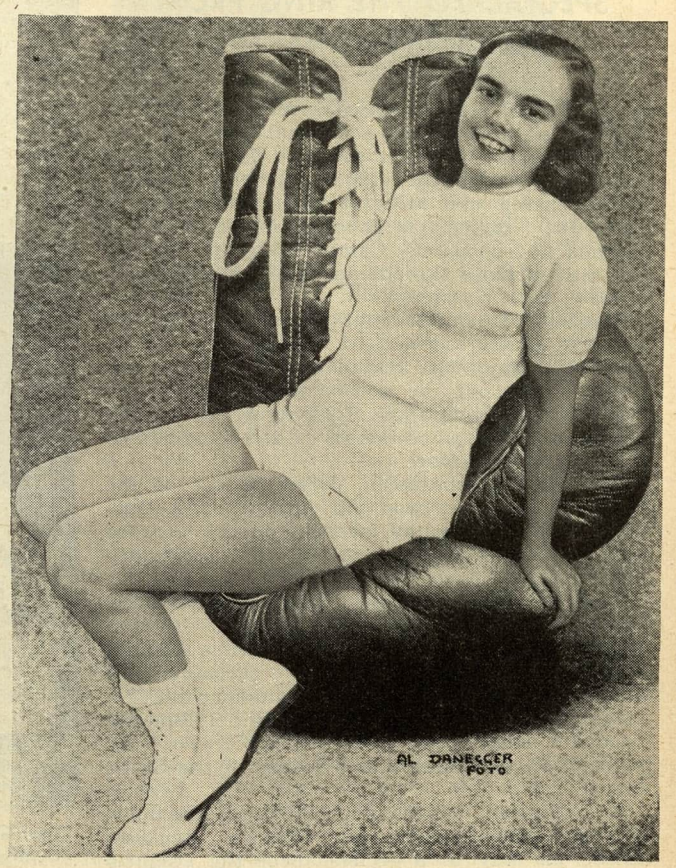
Just before the Al Delaney-Charlie Massera heavyweight bout, at Turners' Arena, Washington, D. C., on the night of April 13, 1936, announcer Jimmy Lake informed the audience, "We have just had a message from Georgetown University Hospital advising us of the arrival of a brand new grand-daughter for a member of our Boxing Commission."

The member of the commission was Colonel Harvey L. Miller USMC (Ret.), of Milwaukee, Wis., now a veteran of 40 years combined service, including active service in World Wars I and II, Cuba, China, the Philippines, Nicaragua and Mexico. He is also chairman of the District of Columbia Boxing Commission, faculty member of the University of Maryland, and was, for ten years, coach of the Maryland University boxing team. In his youth he held three Navy and All-Service titles.

AND the new-born arrival the night of the Delaney-Massera fight was none other than little Miss Bernard, daughter of Mrs. Lucille M. Bernard. Her father was a Navy casualty.

Before straying to the "Career" of the youngster, let us say that Delaney took an eight-round decision from Massera.

Related to Kentucky's "Clays" and "Keenes," Miss Boxing Glove is a descendant of Colonel John Patterson and Sargeant John Hamilton, of Washington's Army, so you see she has had a lot of "fight" in her from way back. Her grandmother is Mrs Clay Keene Miller, of Lexington, Ky., who as a D.A.R. Regent and V.F.W. legislative representative, successfully lobbied in 1933 for the Congressional action which made "The Star Spangled Banner" the official national anthem



It fits her like a glove, the title of queen of boxing. Charming is the word, and that's not a figure of speech. Miss Clay Keene Bernard, who holds the boxing world in her palm.

From 1937 to 1940, at ages of one and one-half to four and one-half, Miss Bernard, then known as "The Winkie," was the mascot of the University of Maryland boxing teams. Since 1939 she has attended all the National Boxing Association Conventions, as well as many boxing contests at pro, amateur and collegiate levels.

In 1949, and again in 1950, she was a member of the Queen's Court at the President's Cup Regatta, in Washington.

Little Miss Bernard is an accomplished competitive roller skater, swimmer and blue ribbon horsewoman.

During World War II years, Miss Boxing Glove was a Marine Corps "brat" at Camp LeJeune, N. C.; Parris Island, S. C.; Quantico, Va.; and Miami Beach, Fla.

In 1948, at Columbia, S. C., she was named "Miss Sweetheart of the Dixie Boxing Tournament, with the Notre

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..With Our SERVICEMEN

SPECIAL TO THE RING FROM CAMP ATTERBURY, IND.

WINNING two titles, a second place, and advancing two additional men into the semi-finals, the powerful Second Army Boxers captured the 1953 All-Army Boxing Championship and with it the coveted Frank Pace, Jr., Trophy. A capacity crowd of 3,500 jammed the spacious Camp Atterbury Sports Arena to witness the championship finals of the colorful mitt classic.

The Second Army sluggers moved into the final round in a neck-and-neck race with Fifth Army, the 1952 champion, First Army, and Europe, finally nosing out the well-balanced Fifth Army squad 15–14. Europe and First Army were deadlocked for third place honors in the photo finish with 13 points apiece.

Middleweight champion, Jerry Luedee of the 26th Inf., Europe, won the highly-prized Outstanding Boxer Trophy awarded on the basis of skill, courage, physical condition and sportsmanship.

Stopping Roscoe Elliott, Third Army, on a third-round TKO and gaining a close decision over Second Army's highly regarded William Finney in the prelims, Luedee went on to outpoint John Gibson of the Far East for the championship.

Juan Curet-Alvarez, defending 139-pound champion, successfully defended his crown, outpointing clever-boxing Joe Reynolds of the Sixth Army.

In another outstanding finale, Europe's spaghetti-shaped flyweight, Preston Jenkins, hooked his way to a decision over the Pacific's rugged Nick Lopez, the 1948, 1951 and 1952 interservice king, in the 112-pound class.

Only one knockout and one TKO were recorded in the final round of the tourney. The Military District of Washington's hard-slugging 209-pound heavyweight, Hawthorne Turner, put away Isaac Sauls, 185 pounds, representing the First Army, in 2:25 of the opening round.

Second Army's Warrenell Lester tore Jack King to shreds in the second round of their bout for the light-heavyweight title, and finished him off in the third on a TKO with a merciless barrage of left hooks and right crosses to the head and body.

George Davis of Second Army outpointed Charlie "Pee Wee" Waugh, popular First Army bantamweight for the 119-pound title. Davis' left hooks and uppercuts made the Second Army boxer an easy victor.

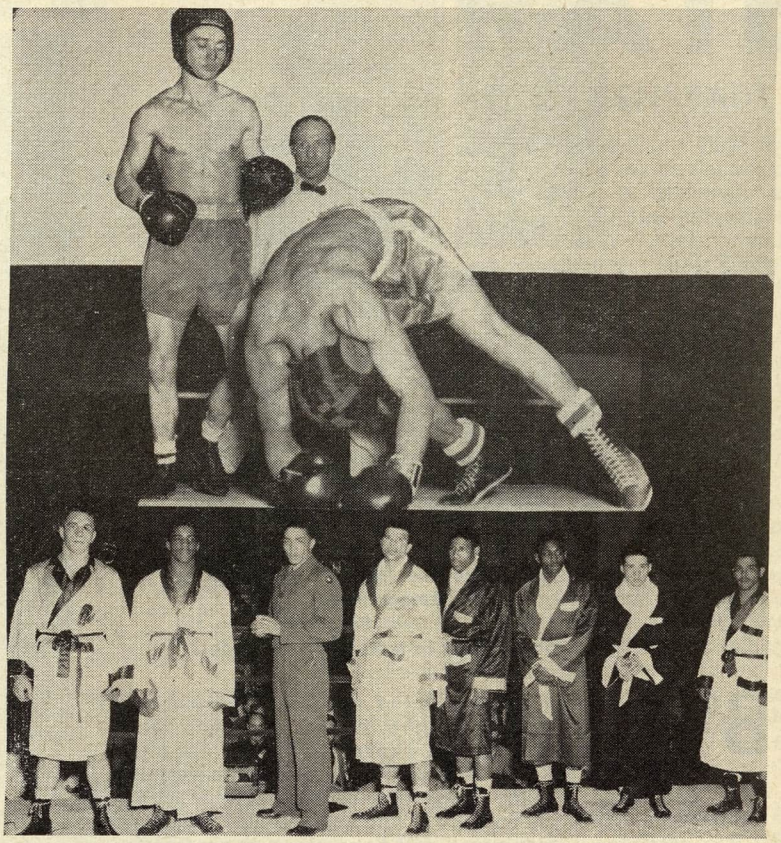
Bob Tenequer of Fifth Army took an impressive decision over Europe's Stanley Berkley in the 125-pound class.

T. W. Wilson of Fifth Army battered his way to the welterweight crown by scoring an easy decision over Second Army's Fleming Butler. Wilson was master at all times, rocking Butler consistently with brutal body punches and skillful infighting.

Gordon Vanloo, Third Army, gained a close decision over Genorace Armstrong. Rushing Armstrong with lefts hooks to the jaw and head and following up with timely bombardments of right uppercuts to the body, Vanloo managed to outpoint his sharp-hitting, counter-punching opponent.

The championship finals climaxed a gala five-day tournament which saw a total of 84 area champions vie in 75 bouts for U. S. Army titles. Maj. Gen. Harry U. Collins, Commanding General, Camp Atterbury, and the 31st Infantry "Dixie" Division, entered the ring upon completion of the matches and presented watches and clocks to the titlists and runner-ups, and the Frank Pace, Jr., Trophy to Pfc. Ted Fittipaldo, coach of the Second Army team.

In the only default victory of the finals, Ray Riojas, of Fourth Army was the victor.

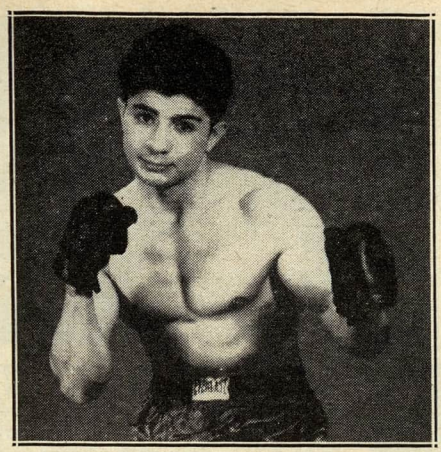


(Top) Garland Taulbee (left), 85th AAA Battalion, of Detroit, drops Chuck Roston, 7th MP Co., to the canvas in their bout during the 1953 Far East Command All-Army Tournament in Yohohama, Japan.

(Bottom) The All-Army Boxing Tournament runner-ups from eight divisions are (left to right) Jack King, light-heavyweight (Third Army); Johnny Gibson, middleweight (Far East Command); Genorace Armstrong, light-middleweight (First Army); Fleming Butler, welterweight (Second Army); Joe Reynolds, light-welterweight (Sixth Army); Stanley Berkley, bantamweight (European Command); Charles (Pee Wee) Waugh, featherweight (European Command), and Nick Lopez, flyweight (Pacific Command).

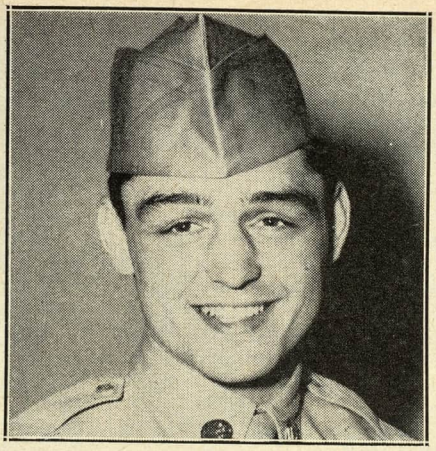
PFC JAMES BRADDOCK, six-foot four-inch, 205-pound son of James J. Braddock, the former heavyweight champion of the world who won his title from Max Baer and lost it to Joe Louis, is now serving with the U. S. Army in France. Braddock is in the 524th Military Police Battalion at La Rochelle. A New Jersey All-State basketball player in 1947 and 1948, Braddock attended Seton Hall College and was employed in his father's war surplus business in North Bergen before entering the Army.

SCHWEINFURT, Germany.—Cpl. Rinzy J. Nocero, one of the outstanding boxers from the 1st Infantry Division's



Tony (Tex) Gonzalez, East Orange, N. J., middleweight, one of the most promising young pro fighters, was recently inducted into the U. S. Army.

Sammy LaRotta, Belleville, N. J., welterweight, was cited by the U. S. Navy Department for his heroic action in saving the lives of 11 men.



16th Regiment in Germany, is returning of the United States for release from active Army duty. His home is at Covington, Ky.

Fighting in the welterweight and middleweight classes, he had a record of 41 wins against three losses. He was the 1st Division novice middleweight champion in 1950; a welterweight runner-up in the European Command Championships in 1951; 1st Division open welterweight champion in 1951; the Britannia Shield welterweight champion in 1951 and won another welterweight championship before departing for the United States.

Nocero was a member of the Central Athletic Club in Cincinnati before entering the Army. He was the 1949 A.A.U. finalist in Cincinnati in the lightweight class and in the same year won the Elmwood-Carthage welterweight title. He also went to the finals of the Cincinnati Golden Gloves tournament.

Nocero plans to continue his boxing career after his release from the Army.

S1/C SALVATORE J. LAROTTA of Belleville, N. J., who boxed under the name of Sammy LaRotta and compiled a fine record as a pro welterweight before being called to active duty by the Naval Reserve in February of 1951, was cited by the U. S. Navy Department for his heroic action in saving the lives of 11 men caught in an undertow off Medhia Beach, French Morocco.

Sammy who was enjoying some off time from his naval duties at the beach heard the cries for help and, using a truck tire tube that he took from some children playing on the beach as a makeshift raft, paddled his way out into the sea to the struggling men and helped them reach shallow water and safety.

Born in Bloomfield, N. J., the son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony LaRotta, he grew up in Belleville where he graduated from Belleville High School. Sammy had an impressive record as an amateur and turned pro in May of 1948 under the management of Joe Arditto and Joe Mangi. Sammy, a good club fighter, lost only five of his 27 bouts, all by split decisions. Two of his losses were to Vince Martinez. He scored wins over Artie Diamond, Jesse Jones, Johnny Noel and Claude Hammond. Some of his six knockout victims were Mike Santonino, Ned Carter and Johnny LaSane.

LaRotta, who is only 22, will be discharged from the Navy after his three years service with the Atlantic fleet, in a few weeks and will resume his boxing career. He has kept in good shape and done some boxing on shipboard.

His trainer, Danny DeLucia, who had him boxing with the boys in the gym when he was home on his last leave, tells that Sammy is ready to pick up his career at the same pace as when he was called to active duty.

TONY (TEX) GONZALEZ, popular East Orange, N. J., middleweight, recently was inducted into the U. S. Army and at present is stationed at Fort Dix, N. J.

Turning pro in April of 1951 he won his first 12 fights and in that time gained main event status in Newark rings. Among his victims were Joey Greco, Joey Klein, Joey Lupo and Arnold Curry. He was stopped in his thirteenth bout by Jimmy Champagne, the veteran campaigner who had just previously defeated Charley Fusari.

From there Tex went on to four more straight decisions, rounding out the year 1952. In his first start of 1953 and also his New York debut, he lost an eight-round decision to Joe Tomasello, whom he had already twice beaten.

Gonzalez then took two decisions from Vinnie D'Andrea and was slated to appear in a Madison Square Garden main event when called into the service.

A fine young prospect, the boxing world anxiously awaits his return to civilian life and his taking up where he left off.

JIMMY MONAHAN, Bronx, N. Y., lightweight, is now serving with the U. S. Army in France. He lost only two of his 19 pro bouts, fighting in the local clubs of New York.

Monahan was drafted into the Army in July 1951. While stationed overseas he was elected coach of the boxing team of Ingrandes Quartermaster Depot, which represented the Base Section of France. Four of his fighters won championships of France and went on to Germany to compete in the USA-REUP championships. One of them advanced to the semi-finals.

Jimmy expects to be discharged in July 1953 and will return to the ring, however, not as a lightweight. Since he has been in the Army, he has gone up to the light-heavyweight division.

A SHORT, husky light-heavyweight from Elizabeth, N. J., who is headed for ring stardom is Phil Saxton. Only 19, Phil is the State light-heavyweight champion, having won the title when only 18.

A graduate of Thomas Jefferson high in Elizabeth, where he was an outstanding athlete and scholar, he was the New Jersey Golden Glove and A.A.U. 175-pound titleholder in 1950.

As a pro he has had 16 fights, winning 15, seven of them by knockouts. His only loss came when he was stopped by Skeets Starkey due to an injured hand. A game fighter with lots of heart, he has come off the floor to win a number of his bouts. In his two meetings with Billy Black he had to come off the canvas to win. In their first war, which was one of the greatest fights ever seen in New Jersey, Phil came off the deck five times to knock out Black in the last minute of the last round.

Recently inducted into the Army, he made a great impression on New York boxing writers by scoring four knockdowns and an easy win over the previously undefeated Richie James. Some of his other victims are Willie Leake, Roosevelt LaBoard, Jimmy Cerello, LeRoy Smith and Sid Edwards.

Managed by Pete Mazza and trained by Tony Orlando, Phil has a bright future to look forward to following his Army service.

WITH THE U. S. FORCES IN JAPAN—Cpl. Leland B. Rogers, noted amateur and service boxer, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Rogers of Goshen, Calif., was recently presented with the Bronze Star Medal in Japan.

He was decorated for his gallantry in Korean action last September 30, while serving with Company I, 187th Airborne Regimental Combat Team.

Lt. Gen. Maxwell B. Taylor, new commanding general of the Eighth Army, made the award.

In 1946 he took two out of three from the Southern California Golden Gloves light-heavyweight champion and a year later took part in Buddy Siegel's amateur boxing promotions at Wellington, Kansas.

BOXING QUEEN OF 1953

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Dame and Chicago Bears star, Johnny Lujack, as her escort.

How did it all start, this naming of the new queen of the ring? It was Chairman Matt Howard who came up with the suggestion at a recent meeting, when he said, "Every other organization has a 'Miss This' or a 'Miss That,' so we can't misuse the phrase if we name a 'Miss Boxing Glove!'"

Well, why not. Looking at the lovely young Miss Bernard (which we certainly did) it definitely seems it wasn't a Miss-take!

But Lieutenant Colonel Don Hull, U. S. Army, of West Point's 1939 boxing team, beat us to the punch. The idea given, he was all for it. "Little Winkie, no one else could fill the bill, or occupy the throne. She's the one! Why I remember when that little golden-haired tyke trotted across the ring to present us with our gloves when we boxed the University of Maryland. It was the first time I ever saw a girl in the ring." (Ed. Note: State of Florida, please take note.)

And the consensus of opinion held, there could be no other queen than Little Winkie.

Brought up in the tradition of the ring, Little Winkie is inclined to use some of the expressions of the profession. While the average youngster might say, "So long, don't take any wooden nickels," our little queen leaves you with "Keep your right hand up, so you won't be a sucker for a left hook"

I beg your pardon, Miss?
Or rather, your royal highness?
Long live Queen Winkie?

HARD WAY BEST WAY?

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he and his family moved from New Orleans to New York. Tony continued his simon-pure campaigning in the Big Town, and within a year and a half, annexed the National A.A.U. junior bantam title and was a winner in an international tournament.

Two months after celebrating his 16th birthday, Canzoneri turned professional. (The minimum age for a pro license in New York was 18, but birth certificates weren't necessary then, and in his application Canzoneri made himself two years older than he actually was.)

Tony wasn't developed on a milk-fed diet. He had to chew on tough meat from the beginning. In his first two years in the pro ranks, Canzoneri packed in a total of thirty-five bouts, and his opponents included such experienced ringsters as Bobby Wolgast, Sonny Smith, Sammy Nable, Archie Bell, Young Montreal, Davey Abad, Andre Routis and Bushy Graham. It was a gruelling schedule for the kid but Tony, fortunately, had the stuff to carry him through.

By the time he was 19, Canzoneri had twice fought Bud Taylor for the bantam title in Chicago, and he was not yet 20 when, outgrowing the 118-pounders, he acquired the vacant featherweight laurels by beating Benny Bass in Philadelphia.

At 22, Canzoneri was a well-seasoned veteran of eighty-three pro battles when he became lightweight champion, flattening Al Singer in one round in Madison Square Garden.

MUCH of Canzoneri's success was due not only to his fistic talents, abundant though they were, but to one of the greatest fighting spirits we've ever seen on display. Tony won many a battle by outgaming the other guy. How vividly we recall one occasion. It was toward the tail-end of his long-career, when Canzoneri was beginning to show the wear and tear of a dozen years of pro campaigning and more than 150 fights behind him.

Tony's opponent was Jimmy McLarnin, former welterweight champion. The bout was held in Madison Square Garden early in the summer of 1936. It figured to be a foolish match for Canzoneri to take. Fine little fighter though he was, how could Tony afford to spot weight and strength to a cagey boxer and deadly puncher like McLarnin?

Canzoneri, a legitimate lightweight, had to puff himself up to 136½ for the bout. McLarnin came in at 143.

McLarnin was a top-heavy favorite in the advance calculations, and the odds seemed justified when Jimmy all but wrecked Canzoneri in the first round. McLarnin unloaded everything he had in that opening frame, and lefts and rights bounced off Tony's chin with sickening rapidity. Canzoneri reeled and staggered before the onslaught, and he was glass-eyed as he stumbled to his corner at the bell. To all intents and purposes, the affair was over. All that remained was the formality of McLarnin finishing the job with no further ado in the second. The aisles in the big arena began to clog with clients edging toward the exits.

BUT Canzoneri wasn't yet beaten. He had taken a savage battering in those first three minutes, but there was no quit in the gallant little fellow. If he were to lose, he'd go down fighting.

Refreshed by the minute's rest, but with his face still torn and swollen from that frightful first round, Canzoneri came bounding out of his corner at the start of the second. Feinting McLarnin into a left lead, Tony quickly stepped in with his own right. It crashed flush against McLarnin's chin, and Jimmy dropped to one knee. He was up immediately, but that one punch changed the entire course of the fight. McLarnin couldn't seem to shake off its effects. Jimmy fought back desperately, but there was no holding off the inspired Canzoneri. His slashing fists piled in on McLarnin from all angles. It was probably the worst lacing Jimmy ever collected in a New York ring. In the ninth round, Canzoneri nearly knocked him out. McLarnin needed all his cleverness and ring savvy to pull through the storm and last it out to the final gong in the tenth.

Tuzo Portuguez, Costa Rican middleweight champion, covers up as young Randy Sandy, of Brooklyn, scores with a left to the body, during their ten round battle, which Sandy won via unanimous decision.

It was a magnificient victory for Canzoneri—but also a costly one. It was as though the fading veteran had rallied all his reserves for one big final effort, and this was it. Tony never again was to come anywhere near matching that spectacular performance. Too much was taken out of him that night, and it hastened his finish as a headliner. A few months later Tony was outpointed by McLarnin in a return match in the Garden, and his decline was steady from then on, though it was another three years before he finally called it quits and hung up the mittens.

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didn't have it. When Gene Hairston knocked him out resoundingly in three rounds his legions folded their banners and silently stole away.

EVEN the solid, staid folks of Iowa have lost their balance with a fellow who appealed to them.

In the late 1930s a former Golden Gloves champion from Chicago tried pro boxing and quit. No money, some wins, but also some beatings. He was working in the Loop.

A Des Moines promoter, desperate for an attraction, induced him to make a comeback. Bing, bang biff! Soon this adroit operator had the fighter on a sensational winning streak, chuck full of knockouts.

To the corn belt, it was manna from heaven, since the demon destroyer had been represented as one of their very own, a Des Moines bellhop, in fact.

The buildup by the promoter, Pinky George, and by the fighter's contract owner, Harold Steinman, pushed the chap, none other than Johnny Paycheck, right into the lion's mouth, a Madison Square Garden title bout with Joe Louis on March 29, 1940.

Some of the innocent, misguided Iowans made the trip to New York. It was a challenge, their man against the world. But professionals, after one look at Paycheck in training, were laying the price Johnny wouldn't show up, so obvious was his panic.

Well, he did show up. He didn't stay long, though. In the second round Louis, at his peak, took Paycheck out of his misery with a clean knockout.

NEW YORKERS, prideful of their sophistication, have gone off the deep end, too. And, in one instance, with a fighter whom other areas mistrusted, including his hometown.

This was Vince Foster, bible-reading but wild-living (and dying) welterweight. Omaha, Neb., his original baliwick, knew him as a 32-karat undependable. New York lost its balance over him when he scored a jet-styled knockout of Tony Pellone, an established local, in Madison Square Garden on Jan. 14, 1949, in seven rounds.

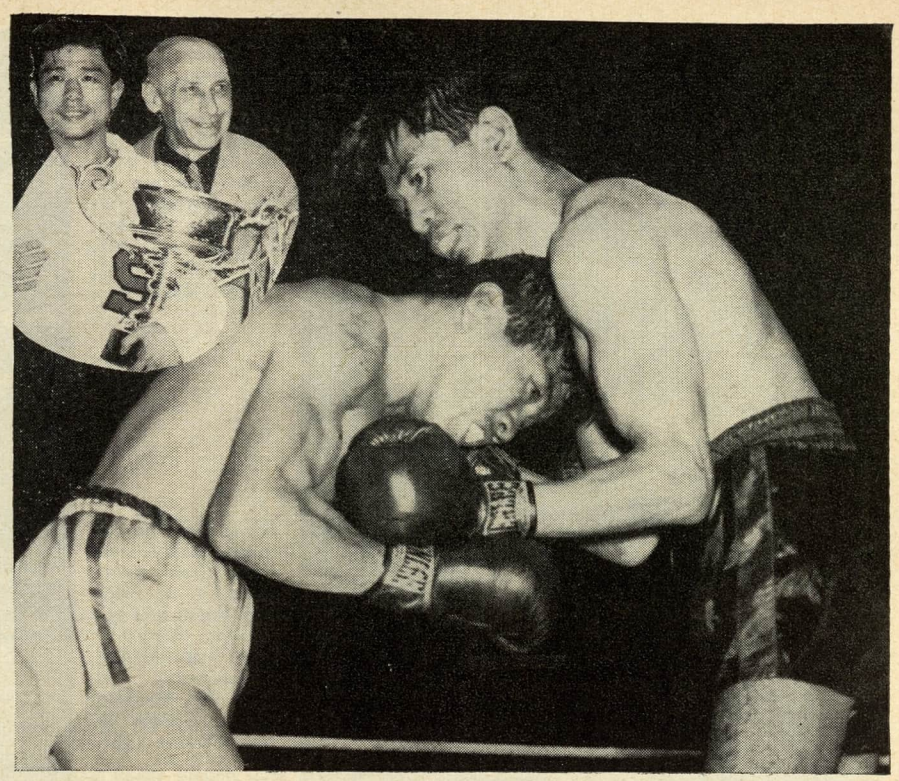
Skillful exploitation by Jack Hurley, master ballyhooist and manager, heated up the big-city fans to such a pitch there was talk of matching Foster with Rocky Graziano, the village's best homegrown card.

First there had to be a little more "build," as it is known. Vince was matched with Charlie Fusari, the Irvington, N. J., puncher, also in line for a Graziano opportunity.

But Foster's crazy-quilt habits got him into trouble with the police and delayed the Fusari fight.

Yet, when they did meet in the Garden, Vince's ring personality had so mesmerized New York fans he continued to be a decisive betting favorite.

Foster's bubble burst right in his fans' faces. He was ice-packed in the first round.



Flyweight champion Yoshiro Shirai, and manager Al Cahn, smile happily after Shirai retained title in meet with Tanny Campo. The champion scores with both hands to the body of the weary Campo in the last round.

In the dressing room this Jekyll-Hyde individual piously said: "The Lord didn't want me to win tonight. There will be other nights."

There was only one other significant night—and not what he was talking about. Two months later, after a drinking revel, he crashed to his death at 22-years of age in an auto mishap at Pipestone, Minn.

Hurley privately always a disbeliever in Foster, came back more recently to sell New York—and himself—on another ringman, whose deflation let many blind adorers down hard. That was Harry (Kid) Matthews, the Pacific Northwest light-heavyweight, still campaigning, incidentally.

Jack had taken Matthews, with a completed middleweight career behind him, off the scrap heap in 1949, just about the time of Foster's finish. Picking spots on an orbit of Seattle, Wash., Portland, Ore., and Boise, Idaho, he had Harry sporting a streak of knockouts. Matthews hopped into Manhattan for a sizzling win over Bob Murphy, March 2, 1951, and then returned to continue his successes in the West.

By now Hurley's calliope was blaring that Matthews, the rugged independent, was being discriminated against by the evil forces of the International Boxing Club in New York.

There was an inevitable commercial climax. Hurley got a match for Matthews with Rocky Marciano in New York, the winner to get a crack at the title held by Jersey Joe Walcott.

They met on July 28 last year at the Yankee Stadium. One pretty fair round by Matthews, then he imitated an accordion as Marciano blasted him out in the second.

The Broken Hearts Club, Far West branch and New York, had plenty of new members.

It wasn't the last tragedy of its kind. And, with all the precautions now promised, you can't wager the future won't hold more. After all, humans love their heroes, at least 'til the clay shows.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

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It would be absurd to expect the average person to follow a fighter's routine—complete with roadwork, etc. —but the daily existence of the pugilist with respect to diet, habits and pleasures is worth inspection by anyone with the idea of applying a healthful aspect to his own daily routine. After all, the life you make longer may be your own.

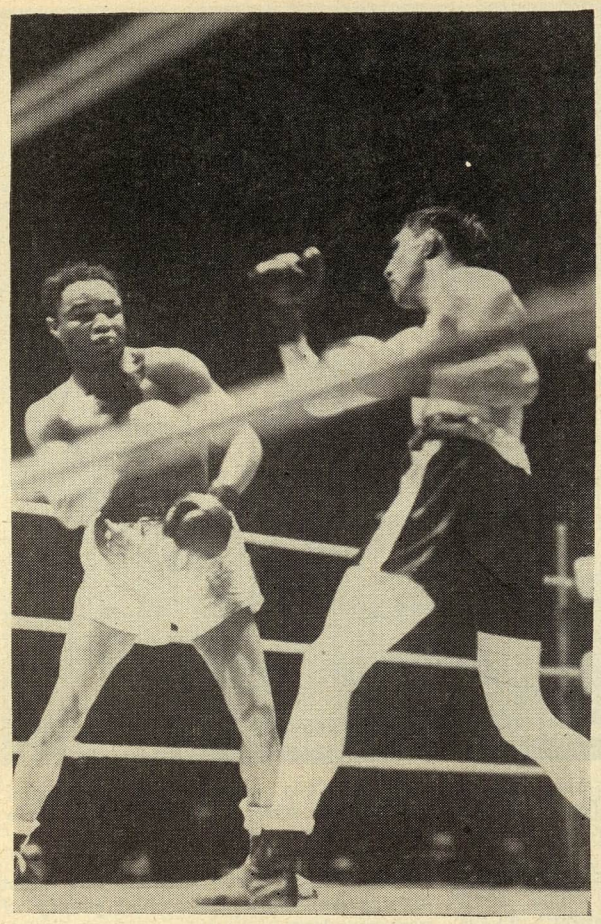
LEFT HOOKS FROM SCRANTON AND VICINITY

By Ken (Duke) Stigner

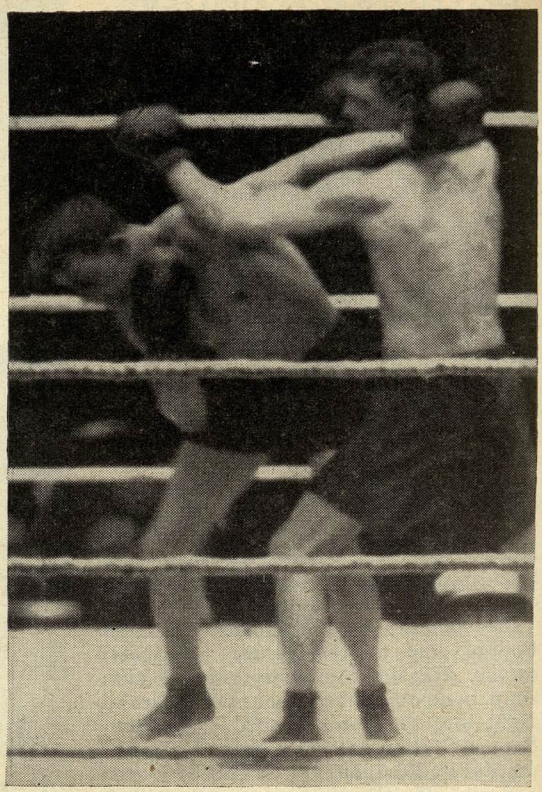
MARKING the end of the indoor mat season, Hank Stezar, the promoter, did most of the grunting due to the scarcity of fans. Appearing before only 559 patrons, Don Evans defeated Andre Drapp, French competitor, in the feature match.

John Heideman won from Soldier Barry in the opening match, and Tony Martinelli conquered George Babich in two of three falls.

WAITING FOR THE BELL.—Boxing fans were saddened by the death of M. L. Goodman, publisher of *The Scranton Tribune* and *The Scrantonian*, which occurred in Miami, Fla. Mr. Goodman, or "Mike" as he was known to his many friends, was a great boxing fan and before his ill health was at all the boxing shows. Jimmy Slavin, ex-lightheavyweight star of a few years ago, is running wrestling shows in Wilkes-Barre, Benton, Bangor and Williamsport, Pa. Please mail all communication to my home address, Box 47, La Plume, Pa.

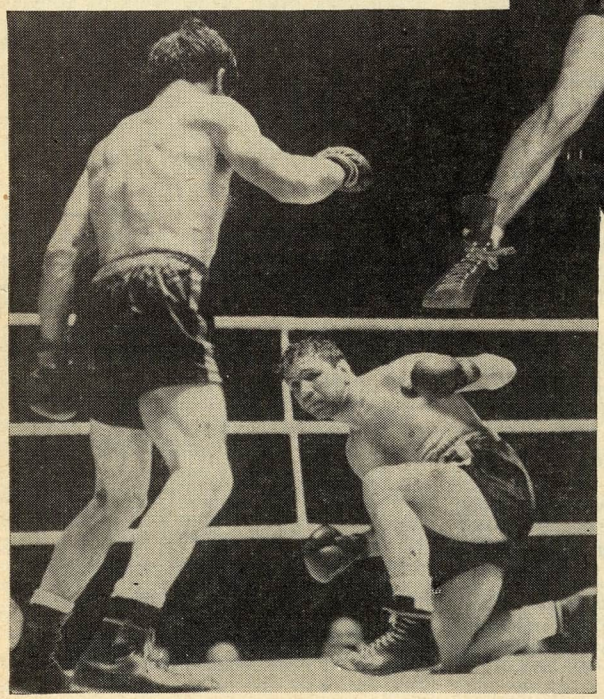


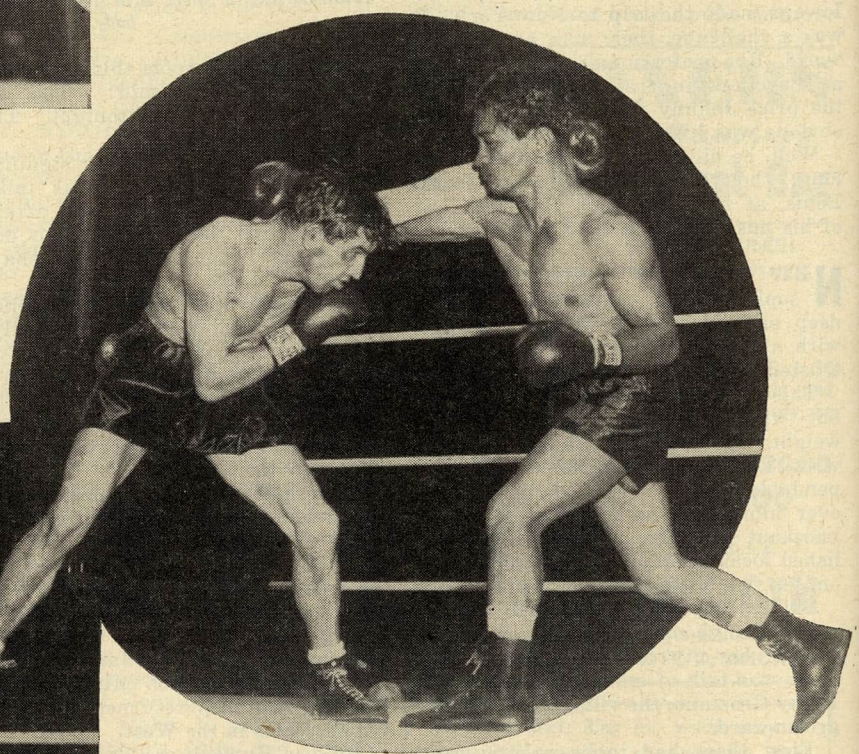
Hurricane Henry Armstrong (left), who had already won three world titles, defended his welterweight crown against Ernie Roderick at Harringay Arena, London, in 1939, and won a 15-round decision.



Really an international tangle as Harry Greb (right) mixes it up with Ted Moore of England for Greb's world middleweight championship at the old Madison Square Garden in New York in 1924.

BRITAIN vs. U. S. for TITLES





Hawaii being a territory, it becomes G. B. vs. U. S. as Terry Allen of England (left) is in a losing bid to retain his world flyweight crown against challenger Dado Marino in far-off Honolulu in 1951. Marino won a 15-round decision.

Gus Lesnevich (right), world light-heavyweight champion, is dropped for the second time as he loses a 15-round decision and the title to Freddie Mills in London in 1948. Mills, in turn, in his first defense was beaten for the crown by American Joey Maxim in 1950.

TV & BOXING

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possibilities of subscription TV as a means of saving the economic structure of boxing. One of the most interested and alert questioners was George Barton, president of the National Boxing Association. Boxing needs a box office to remain on a sound and healthy footing. As long as shows are televised receipts at the arenas will continue to dwindle.

However, if boxing can move its box office into your home through subscription the sport can remain solvent and still continue to bring the shows to the millions of viewers who want to see them without moving out of their living room.

But how does the general public, long used to having free, home-viewing of fights, feel about paying for them?

Well, according to a Purdue University survey, conducted in the Chicago-Milwaukee area, two out of three television viewers would pay $1 to see a championship fight on their home TV sets.

Postcards were sent to a list of 100,000 television set owners, asking two questions: 1. Are you a fight fan? 2. If a pay-as-you-see television system were in operation would you be willing to pay $1 to see a championship fight on television in your home?

The Purdue Opinion Panel, under the direction of H. H. Remmers, professor of psychology and education at the University, reported that in the first six days of returns, more than 23,000 post cards were received. Dr. Remmers states that this return is considerably better than the usual mail survey and would seem to indicate a high interest in subscription television.

Sixty-five per cent of those replying indicated that they would pay one dollar for the privilege of seeing a championship fight on their television receivers by subscription TV.

Seventy-nine per cent said they were fight fans and of this number, seventy-six percent said they would pay for home viewing. Among those who said they were not fight fans, twenty-one per cent said they would pay for the privilege. Many of the cards were accompanied by comment, both favorable and unfavorable. Some emphasized that while they would not pay to see a fight they would be glad to pay for football games, opera, good movies, drama and other type programs.

Analysis of the returns indicates a higher interest on the part of set owners in areas which enjoy good television reception. Cards received from these areas showed a higher percentage of those willing to pay than did cards from areas of fringe reception.

REPORT FROM THE PHILIPPINES

By Felipe J. C. Galang

TANNY CAMPO, flyweight champion of the Philippines, is back in Manila after an invasion of Japan. During our conversation, at the Metro Soda Fountain he related to me all the events and his fight with the world champion Yoshio Shirai. I then witnessed the press preview of the film of their battle at the Capitol Theater.

Motion pictures are deceiving to the eye because of the angle at which they were taken, but they showed that Shirai was decorated with a mouse under his right eye, inflicted by Campo, and the Filipino suffered a cut in the back of his head caused by the Japanese's left elbow.

Tommy Romulo, 131, made a hit in his comeback to Manila, when he kayoed Tenejeros Boy, 132, in the tenth round, in the International Fair Auditorium. Romulo was leading by a slight margin when in the ninth round his left and right landed in the pit of the stomach of Tenejeros, which folded the local idol in the middle of the ring. Before the referee could count, the bell came to his rescue. At the sound of the beginning of the tenth, Tenejeros failed to come out of his corner.

Star Naven, 132, was a mere shell of his old self although he outpointed Paulito Escarlan, 128, in ten rounds. Delfin Castueras, 120, won over Buddy Luna, 118, in six rounds. Frankie Natlvidad 123, kayoed Jackie Sta. Rita in six. Rudy Alcantara, 113, and Ric Ricuerdo, 110, drew in six rounds. Dommy Espinosa, 135, was knocked out in the second round by Fernando Marquez, 130. Gene Aragon, 112, was too busy for the slow moving Joe Arcega, 115, in the four-round curtain raiser.

Dommy Gaviola, featherweight champion of the Visayas, outpointed Young Nacionalista in a ten-round main event, at the Mindanao Colleges Community gym, at Davao City. Deone Alforque, 115, decisioned Young Fuentes, 116, in eight rounds. Battling Gudillos, 112, and Baby Mante, 112, drew in six rounds. Tiger Torres, 118, outboxed Star Perigrino, 20, in four. Kid Arab, Jr., 114, outclassed Fran de Castro, 115, in four. Flash Misamco, 110, won over Boy Negro, 112, in four and Rocky Ongko, 110, bested Jimmy Alde, 112, in four rounds.

Larry Bataan, featherweight champion of the Orient and the Philippines, successfully defended his Philippine title by outpointing Flash Elorde, the Oriental bantamweight champion, in the 12-round main event at the Coliseum under the promotion of Cesar Nazario, Jr. Larry was too experienced for his younger opponent.

Ben Escobar, 123, and Baby Brown, 121, drew in ten rounds. Escobar was stronger, but Baby was clever. Danny Kid, 111, outpointed Willie Brown, 112, in ten rounds. Brown downed Danny for an eight count in the first round but the Mindanao fighter came back stronger and had his opponent back pedeling in the last rounds. Veteran Little Ibanez, 119, outpointed Baby Dundee, 122, in six rounds. Ric Sanchez, 119, badly outscored Baby Naven, 120, in a six rounder. Speedy Dado, Jr., 109, knocked out Efren Cruz, 113, in the third round.

Milton Ross, 133, won over Augustin Argote, 134, lightweight champion of Spain, in ten rounds at the Coliseum, under the promotion of John Canson, Jr. Argote was ahead in points when in the last round he was downed twice for the mandatory eight-count rule. Tommy Lerma, 131, won over Star Matnog, 133, in another ten rounder.

Kid Tolosa, 116, stopped Young Tony, 116, in the fourth round. A cut was the cause. Bino Manalo, 108, kayoed Abe Connie, 112, in the fifth round. Tuffy Salcedo, 124, kayoed Young Alvin, 127, in the fourth round. Young Shirai, 117, won over Kind George, 114, in four rounds.

Ernie Pineda, 122, Panpanga, badly outpointed Milling Ramos, 121, in six rounds, at the Royal Ball Room of Angeles, Pampanga. Midget Wolgast, 122, kayoed Rudy Alcantara, 115, in the fifth round. Stots Kid, 101, won over Left Concepcion, 108, in six rounds. Ben Lombay, 118, and Cesar Paras, 123, drew in four rounds. Ray Angeles, 126, won over Kid Sampang, 120, in four. Rocky Orquita, 111, won over Young Sigrid, 116, in the four.

Young Paulino, 144, welterweight champion of Mindanao and Sulu, kayoed Battallion, 144, in the fourth round at the Tejeros Square Garden of Makati, Rizal.

Little Manuel, 118, kayoed Star Bulan, 116, in the fourth round. Agno River Boy, 119, stopped Bagongbayan Boy, 124, in the fifth round. Young Albin, 139, won over Rocky Ferguson, 129, in six rounds. Joe Zamora, 118, won over Gene Guerrero, 120, in four. Ruben Boy, 112, and Alfredo Bonus, 114, drew in four. Seaman's Boy, 110, iced Vic Lizardo, 112, in the first round.

Ralph Cuyugan, grand Old Man of Boxing, is again on his Golden Glove tournament. Ralph was the one who discovered and built up Pancho Villa and Elino Flores and managed Little Dado in the United States. Jackie Trillana, a 120-pound sensation, is a product of Ralph's stable of young boys.

MINNESOTA NEWS

By Billy Colbert

THE busiest place in the boxing business around the Northwest is Emmett Weller's Gym on Robert St. in St. Paul. He keeps his fighters working out all year around and that is the reason he is three times winner of the Northwest Golden Glove team title for St. Paul.

Don Weller, son of Emmett Weller, is a very promising amateur welterweight and with a little more experience should win the N. W. Golden Glove title next year. This kid has a lot of class and can box and punch.

Myles Martinez, a good featherweight from the Twin Cities a few years back, is now in the construction business in St. Paul. Myles fought all the best featherweights around the Twin Cities and the Northwest and always gave the fans a good fight.

Dick Meek, a featherweight from Scotland, is now looking for action in the Northwest. He is a legitimate featherweight but will go out of his class and box lightweights also.

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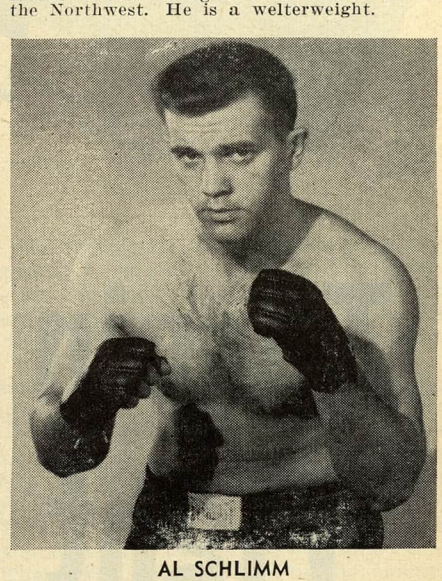
Honeyboy Conroy, a tough 175 pounder, is now employed by the city of St. Paul. His son is following in his father's footsteps and is one of the leading amateur boxers around the Northwest. He is a welterweight.

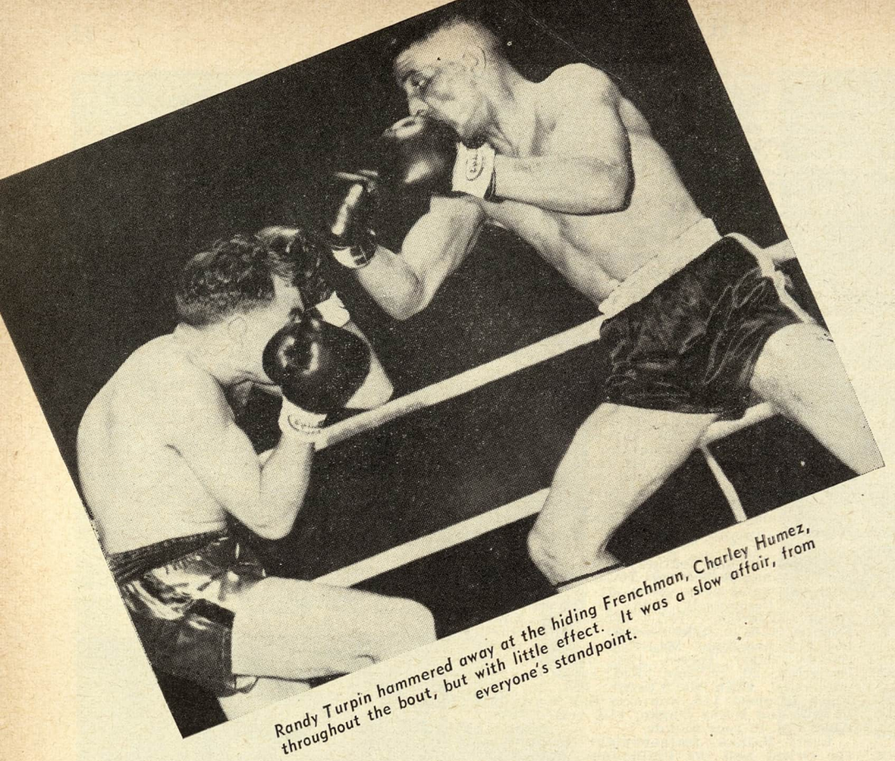


AL SCHLIMM

It has been said of boxing that, once it gets into a fellow's system, it refuses to be driven out. It's there to stay. It may remain dormant for a while, but sooner or later it's bound to start acting up again. The case of Max Joss is typical. A few years ago Max announced his retirement from boxing, after three decades of successful promoting in New York and Brooklyn. A gent with vision, Joss realized that conditions were changing rapidly with the advent of TV, and "small clubs" were doomed to extinction. He didn't wait for disaster to overtake him. He got out while the going was good. He closed down the Broadway Arena in Brooklyn, where he had functioned for a dozen years, and quit boxing to go into another business.

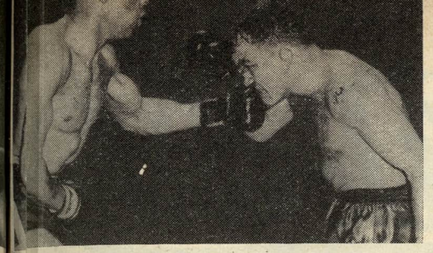
But Max just couldn't get the sport out of his system. Not entirely. He just had to get back into action somehow, if only as a hobby or sideline. In his business travels, he happened upon a likely young heavyweight in Baltimore—a 19-year-old kid named Albert August Schlimm. Max saw Schlimm fight, and immediately the boxing "bug" began to do things to him. He contacted Schlimm's manager, and arranged for a half-interest in the young man.

By way of seeing that his protege gets nothing but the best in coaching and conditioning, Joss has contracted for little Charley Goldman, who has done such a brilliant job with Rocky Marciano, to look after Schlimm's training schedule.

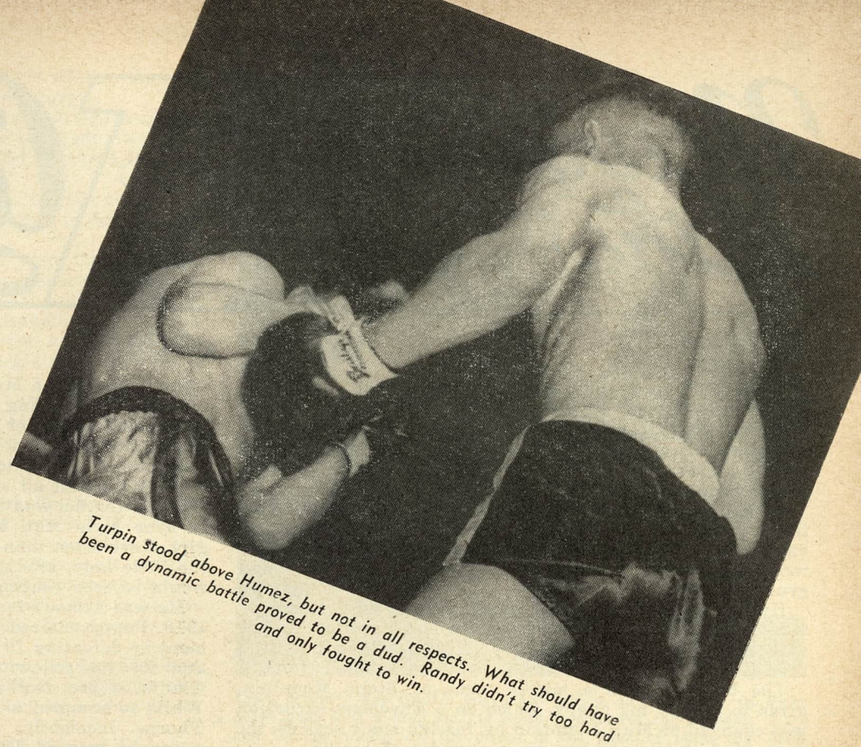


Randy Turpin hammered away at the hiding Frenchman, Charley Humez, throughout the bout, but with little effect. It was a slow affair, from everyone's standpoint.

Occasionally Humez led, and Turpin tried to follow through. But not a sign of a knockout.



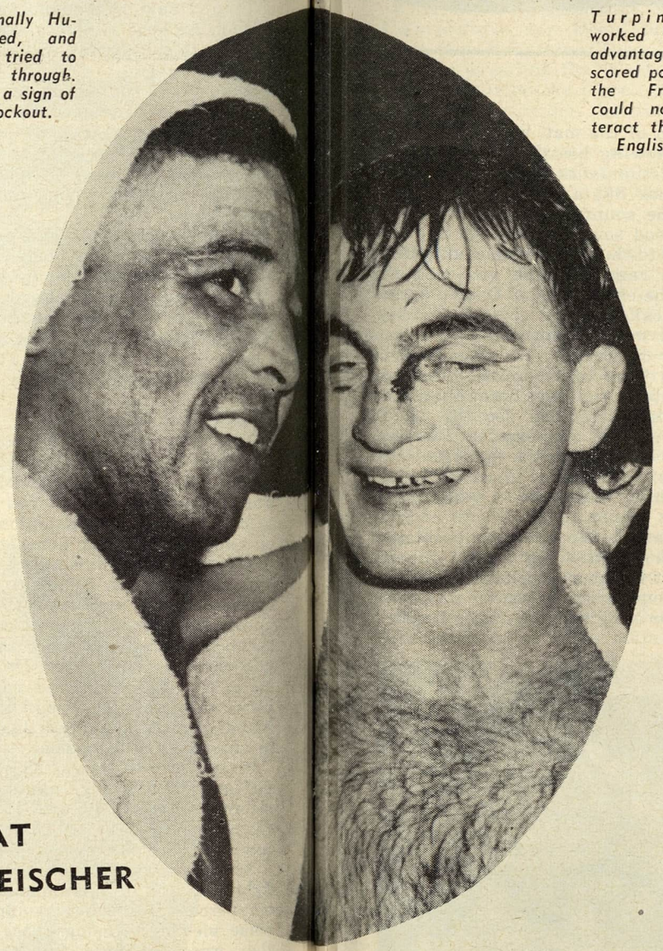
Turpin's left worked to good advantage, as he scored points and the Frenchman could not counteract the clever Englishman.



Turpin stood above Humez, but not in all respects. What should have been a dynamic battle proved to be a dud. Randy didn't try too hard and only fought to win.

Turpin To Fight In U. S. For Crown

By NAT FLEISCHER



All over and who's sorry? Smiles [illegible] an who will now meet the American challenger, in a World Title Bout, [illegible]urn, and the former coal-miner, Charley Humez. They laughed but the [illegible] didn't, being very disappointed.

LONDON, ENGLAND, Special to *The Ring*

RANDY TURPIN, who will face the winner of the Carl Olson vs. Paddy Young fight to decide Sugar Ray Robinson's successor as world middleweight king on August 24 at the Yankee Stadium, gained his place in the upper bracket by winning a one-sided, dull, listless victory over Charley Humez of France before the largest, most select gathering of fight fans that ever attended a British boxing show.

Though Randy was the winner by a city block, with only two rounds scored in Humez's favor by me, the victor heard the jeers of many persons among the 54,000 in attendance at the White City Stadium, instead of the cheers that usually accompany the announcement, "the winner and again the world middleweight champion". Here Randy and Humez were "fighting" for what the British Board of Boxing Control termed the world crown, but in all other parts of the boxing universe, it was a contest for the European championship to decide which boxer would be pitted against the best middleweight in America for the right to wear the crown which Robinson gave up.

Many left the vast Arena, which presented a spectacle such as never before had been seen on a fight night, disillusioned. The event was the crowning one in a Coronation Sports program and they had come to pay homage to the man who all Britain had hailed the kingpin of his division. They went home with the feeling that Randy had let them down.

They had expected to see a vicious, thrilling encounter that would end with Turpin on top, the winner by a knockout, but were "treated" to a laughing, apologetic affair in which after almost every punch, the contestants would step back, laugh or grin at each other, then return to the business of the evening. They had been prepared for a thrilling encounter by the press, but with one exception, in the eleventh round, there wasn't a wallop delivered by either contestant throughout the 15 rounds that could bring the fans into a state of excitement.

BASED on what was on exhibition in the White City Stadium, I doubt that Turpin, had he faced Paddy Young or Olson, could have carried off the decision. As for Humez, three boys now fighting in the States—Joey Giambra, Joe Giardello and Pierre Langlois—could have outpointed him. The thousands of Americans here for the Coronation and the fight openly expressed this opinion and I shared it with them.

Immediately following the fight, Turpin, angered by the attitude of his British critics, declared that he would not hesitate to fight the American victor. Though Harry Markson, Managing Director of the International Boxing Club, figured that he might have some difficulty getting Randy to sign unless he guaranteed him the champion's end of the purse, the bitterness of Turpin over the razzing he received from many in the huge assembly made the task an easy one for the I.B.C. representative. Asked whether he had any preference in re the location, Turpin replied to the British reporters:

"I did until now. But I've made up my mind. They don't want good boxing here such as I gave them tonight. They want murder. I hurt my hand in the first round when I crashed it against his arm and that prevented me from using it effectively. The attitude of the crowd has caused me to change my mind. I'll willingly fight the American winner in New York. Mr. Middleton will arrange for that. Whether it is Olson or Young, I'll whip either and I'll stop these squawks. Those who don't think I'm the champion will soon find out. I'll show who is the boss."

And with that to work on, Markson quickly took advantage of the situation and clinched the fight for New York's Yankee Stadium. Originally Markson had received word from Jim Norris to clinch the fight for September 10, but because a Jewish Holy Day falls on that date, the last week in August was substituted.

TURPIN is a much better fighter than was on display before the Lords, Dukes, politicians, actors and actresses from many parts of the world here for the Coronation. Pity that he didn't have a better, more evenly matched opponent to add to the lustre of this gigantic affair. Never in all his career as a world famous promoter did Jack Solomons put on a finer spectacle that this, but all his efforts to make this the crowning achievement of his career were dimmed by the headliners of his bill.

Turpin lacked fire and fighting spirit except in short spurts. He seemed to be content throughout the fight to use his opponent's face as a target for a stinging left jab that eventually brought deep gashes under both eyes, a swollen nose and considerable claret, but the disappointment was caused by his failure to follow his advantage. Had he done so, no matter how game and courageous Humez was, Turpin could have halted him. Randy summed up his failure to fight on when a little pressure on his part would have given the fans an opportunity to cheer instead of jeer, with the statement:

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News of the MAT World

By NAT LOUBET

SINCE we last got together, an old friend passed on. Frank S. Leavitt, known to his millions of fans as Man Mountain Dean.

At the time of his death the man, who has wrestled over 6,000 matches, had been a policeman, pro football player, motion picture actor, soldier and a chicken farmer.

He will be best remembered for being the forerunner of the brand of grappling that is currently are rage. He was one of the first to deviate from the straight brand of wrestling and add a little color to the routine of burps and grunts.

Hailing from the North Georgia hills around Norcross, where he had a farm and passed the last years of his life with his chickens and memories of an anything but drab life.

The big man had a middle name of Stone Mountain, given to him by his pappy, which on a European excursion was changed to Man Mountain by foreign sport scribes, the name that stuck with him the remainder of his life.

He entered the medium of catch-as-catch-can by way of a carnival show and a couple of pro's who invaded his Georgia hills. The boys were taking over the hillbillys by daring all and sundry to tangle with them—$25 to got to the local yokel who would last the usual umpty-ump minutes. After cutting quite a swath through the citizenry of Georgia, Dean was coaxed into the fray and in true Algier boy technique belayed those nasty villains.

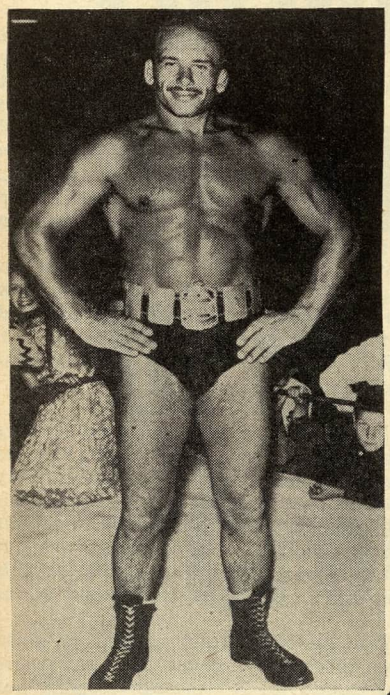
Next he appears on the scene around 1906 under the aegis of Jack Curley. He started off by entering the ring in mountaineer clothing, a Matterhorn of the mat, weighing around 300 pounds, sporting a long flowing beard, which nurtured by nature and other growth stimulants of the hills would have made Brigham Young look like a clean shaven boy.

In the course of touring the country he met a brunette who exemplified all of that good southern beauty. She was a school teacher and the scene to the play was a county fair. In true style Man Mountain came through and won the girl. More often than not in the early days of Dean's career the little lady, affectionately called "Maw" by the big boy, would be seen routing for her mass of muscle.

He was famous for his one day stunt in London back in 1919. Pappy entered and won the King's wrestling tournament by defeating 19 opponents in one day. Later that year and for the following, he played football for the N. Y. Giants, a pro football team owned by Charley Buckley. While so occupied he crossed cleats with the immortal Jim Thorpe. Incidently, we recently had a chat with Buddy, a son by way of Thorpe's third wife, who is becoming a professional in the very near future.

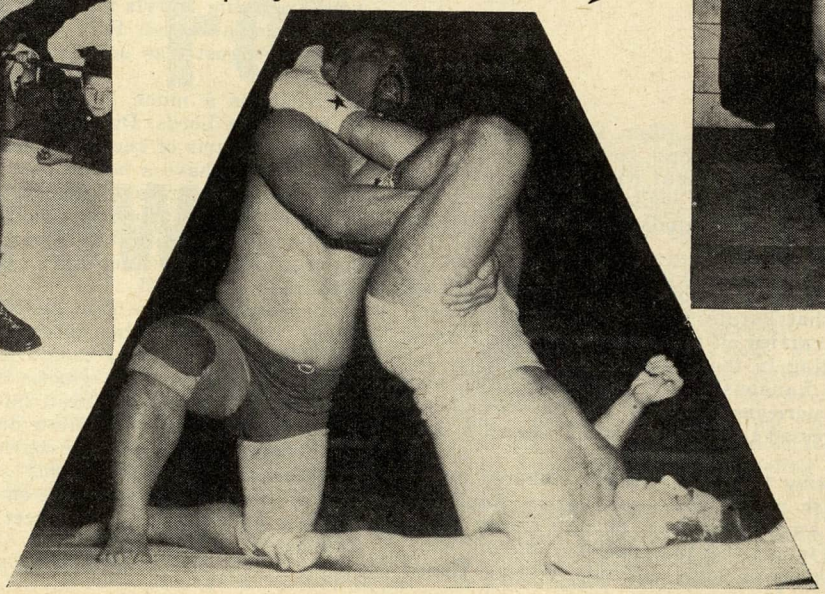
The old man of the mountain is reputed to have played football for five colleges without attending classes in any and to have picked up a smart talent at plucking the banjo. In 1937, at the height of his popularity, he was temporarily barred from certain areas for roughness. A kind hearted man, who was gentle outside of the ring, he was a sucker for the down and outer. He was always good for a touch and few people realized how much he gave away during his lifetime.

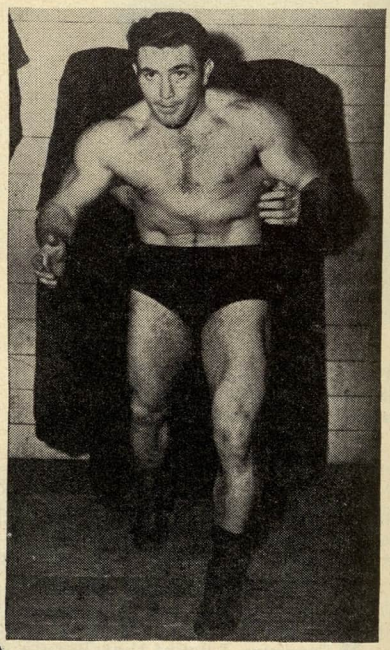
From 1937 on he wrestled occasionaly



Frenchy Roy, junior heavyweight from Canada, who is a scientific grappler. A crowd pleaser, with plenty of color and ability with the dropkick

Rocky Colombo, hails from Brooklyn, New York, an ex-serviceman with less than five years experience in pro wrestling, he gains in prestige with each bout. →





← *Ricki Starr works the figure four head Starr scissors on the mystic Mr. Moto during their Indianapolis match won by the Japanese. (Photo by Bob Utter).*

and dabbled in pictures, farming, and civic affairs. He even went so far as to run for public office in Georgia.

His contributions to his country were numerous. A soldier under General Pershing in the border incidents, wounded in World War I, and a member of the 2nd Armored Division in World War II.

When he enlisted at Atlanta, Georgia, for the third time he is reputed to have said, "I beat every Jap I ever wrestled and can still do it."

When Governor Talmadge, of Georgia, then Commissioner of Agriculture, saw Dean start his professional career he said to Man Mountain: "Dean I want you to achieve the same record in wrestling that Cobb did in baseball, Jones in golf and Walthour on the bicycle track. If you achieve half the success those men did, the state of Georgia will be proud of you."

Notwithstanding his success as a wrestler Frank S. Leavitt will be remembered not only by his fellow Georgians but by the sports world for his contribution to wrestling and as a man.

HERE's an interesting gal. She's Mars Bennett a bundle of auburn hair and green eyes, tied into a 5' 3" frame. Delightful to look at and in action . . . the kid's a one woman wrecking crew. A villain type, she's built durable and can the gal take it . . . well . . . she is known as the gal with the metal jaw and she doesn't talk much. Whata noggin bumper . . . backbreakers, airplane spins, flying mares . . . 140 pounds of mayhem on the loose.

The Detroit Tiger, as her fans have nicknamed her, started out developing the body as a circus performer and went on from there to become a riveter in a war plant, during the second world war.

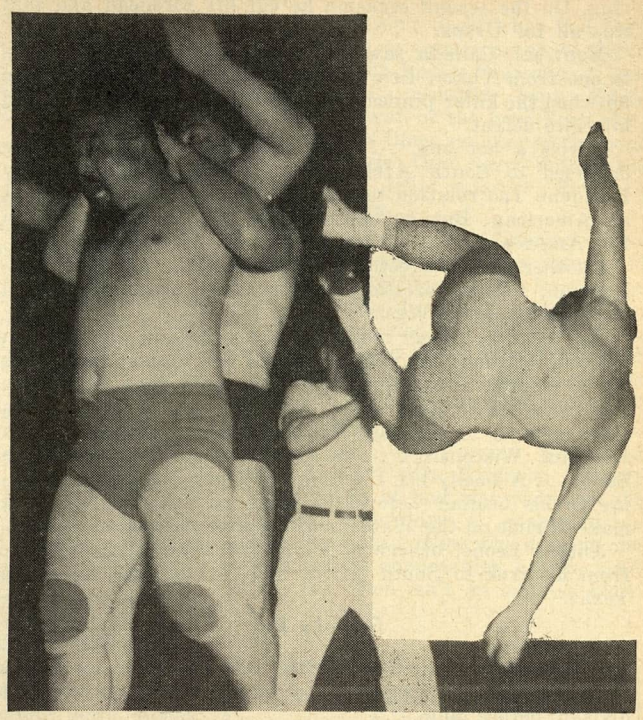
Her sense of showmanship probably is inherited from her mother, who is still a tanbark and one of the best.

A *Ring* Glove to Bob Utter, one of our correspondents, recently appointed Indiana state wrestling inspector. Bob is married and is employed at Willy's Overland, as a photographer down Anderson way.

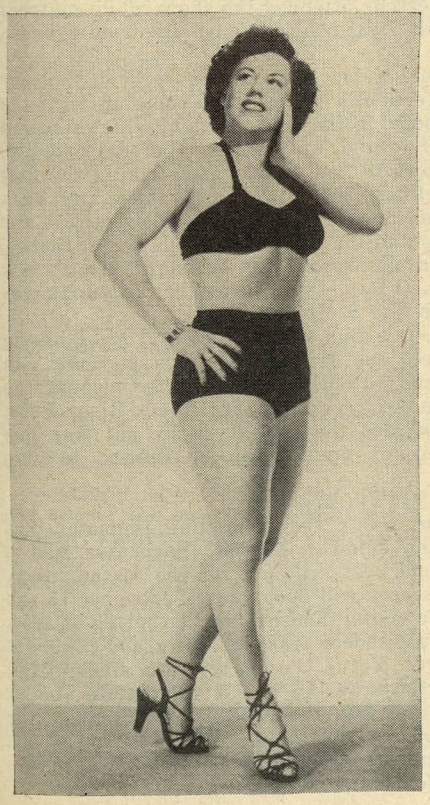
Our congratulations to George Bothner on his eighty-sixth birthday. Friends helped the grand ole man of the mat game to celebrate his birthday by a party, in beer-like fashion, at one of New York City's hofbraus. George still works out and teaches some of the younger fry what it's all about in his gymnasium.

Verne Gagne and Hard Boiled Haggerty were winners of their respective events, at Minneapolis, during the month. Gagne pinned Bulldog Pleches who attempted to use every trick in the book and many that were never printed. But to no avail. In 14:05 Pleches was less of a bulldog and more of a puppy. Haggerty, no shrinking violet nipped the wings of Tiny Mills in 16:08.

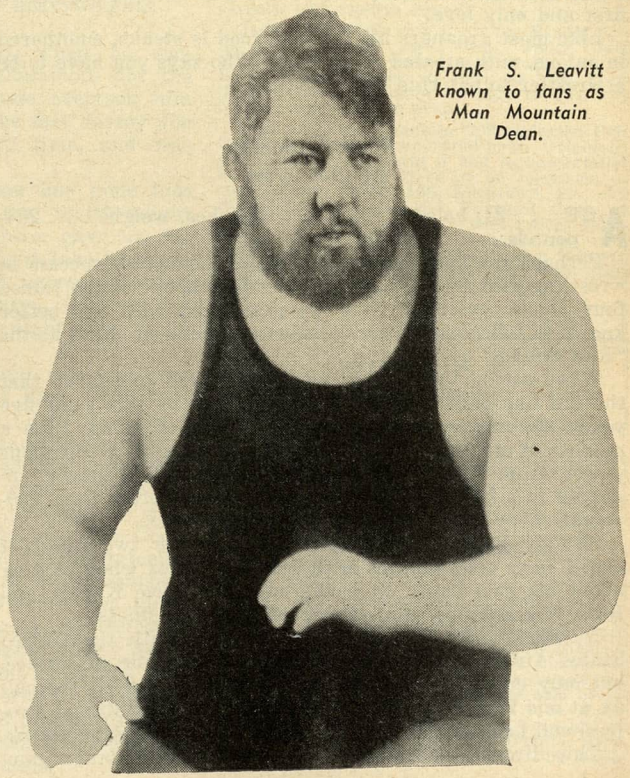
At the Baltimore Coliseum Antonio Rocca played havoc with the Mighty Ursus. Rocca pinned the big guy for the first fall and then battered him from piller to post until he was unable to continue any further. Ursus was thrown on his mighty Ursus twice and both times landed outside the



Team action! Ray Gunkle has a full nelson on Mr. Moto, as Ricki Starr lands with a drop kick to finish matters for the moment. Starr and Gunkle finally lost the match to the team of Moto and Duke Keomuka (Photo By Bob Utter)



It's Miss Mars Bennett. A petite gal for a villain, but she rates with the best of the women grapplers. She's really mean inside the ring.



Frank S. Leavitt known to fans as Man Mountain Dean.

ring. On the second occasion he cut his forehead and that was all for Ursus.

Montreal, Canada saw Wladek Kowalski take two falls to one from Yukon Eric at the Forum. The falls were one up when the killer pinned Eric against the ropes and bopped him into defeat.

Here's a hot one. . . . Mr. America of 1951 is being deported to South Africa. The 27-year-old Roy Stanley Hilligenn (no relation to anyone of a similar name) is not an American. But he captured the Mr. America title in Los Angeles, Calif., while still a South African national.

Another of the wrestling guard passed away. Steve McPherson, former wrestler and wrestling promotor, passed on at Bellingham, Wash.

Rod Fenton, former matster and a wrestling promotor, in Tuscon, Arizona, has just purchased the Tuscon race track for a reputed $250,000. It will cost again that amount to put the track in good shape. Who says there's no gold in those grunts. . . . Bobby Nelson opened a cheese shop in Kenosha, Wisconsin . . . he calls it the Wispride Cheese Shop. . . . A smelly biz, I'm told. . . . Tiger Joe Marsh breaking in his brother before the cameras . . . the boys will make "Crime on the Waterfront", a Fox production.

Antone Leone, otherwise known as "The Ripper", back from his trek to South Africa and making the rounds of Texas.

Frenchy Roy

BORN in Montreal, Canada, 32-years ago, Frenchy Roy is a sure bet to reach the top in the junior-heavyweight division before long.

Roy, who stands eight-inches over the five-foot mark, is a fast, scientific grappler with plenty of power to back up his speed. He is known for his drop-kicking ability. Frenchy resembles a leaping Kangeroo when hurling his 206 pounds through the air.

The Canadian turned to professional wrestling in 1945. Six years later he defeated Gentleman Dale Haddock to capture the Pacific Coast 175-pound championship. Eleven months later he lost the crown to Bill Melby.

"I've met several good men," Frenchy smiles when talking about his past matches. "Bull Montana is the roughest while I would say that Melby is the smartest."

During the summer months, when he isn't wrestling, you can usually find Roy on a golf course. For the past year he has been shooting 18 holes in the low 70's. Someday he would like to play tournament golf . . . that is after he wins the world's junior-heavyweight mat title. Wrestling is his first and only love.

Like most groaners his favorite food is steaks, smothered in onions, with a salad on the side. Who says you have to be a wrestler to eat this kind of stuff?

Rocky Colombo

By *Bob Utter*

AGE . . . 24, height . . . 5-feet, 8-inches, weight . . . 204-pounds.

Perhaps the main reason for Rocky Colombo's success in wrestling goes to his teacher, Rudy Dusek, one of the famed four Dusek brothers from Omaha, Neb., who are better known to followers of the twist'em and bend'em guild as the "Riot Squad."

When seeing Colombo in action it's hard to believe that the kid has only been in the pro ranks for less than five years. He moves fast and knows plenty of holds. Like a number of other men in the sport Rocky gets his tremendous power from lifting weights. Although he has never appeared in a lifting meet, Colombo can put better than 200-pounds above his head in the Olympic press.

"Buddy Rogers and Fred Atkins are the two roughest men I have ever tangled with," Rocky smiles when talking about his past bouts. "I would say that Steve Karras and Billy Fox are two of the smartest in the business.

During World War II Colombo served with the United States Air Force. He did some grappling while in service, but only enough to keep in shape. He also played football an at one time wanted to try his hand in the National Professional League, but changed his mind after meeting Dusek.

This Brooklyn-born wrestler is a polished dancer and selects this as his favorite hobby. Rocky's number one partner is his wife!

Pat O'Connor, the New Zealand Irishman, seen here posing with Judy Gurley, a student fan, on Southern Illinios University campus where Pat stopped off while on a mat tour.

From Winnipeg, Canada, by Cy Louth

Stout Steve Kozak's final wrestling show of the season, held in Winnipeg's civic auditorium, was a good one so far as wrestling was concerned. The only trouble was, there were not enough cash customers on hand to witness it.

Only about 500 persons attended the show, while matches staged by Alex Turk, rival promotor, usually draw between 4,000 and 5,000.

The feature event—a tag team match—provided plenty of action, with Referee Bill Evans, who came up with the boys from Minneapolis, in the thick of things. Bewhiskered Tony Boine, 210, Ohio and his partner, Tom Regnek, 210, New York, went down to final defeat after taking the first fall from Don Heffner, 206, Davenport, Iowa and Jack Durocher, 215, Minneapolis. The colorful Boine arose the ire both of the fans and the referee with his rough tactics.

In the opener, Harold Mason, 180, Brainard, Minn., took the measure of Jim O'Day, 185, Chicago, in 14:40. It was a good, clean match and a crowd pleaser.

The special event saw Don Heffner defeat Tony Boine in what the bewhiskered one declared was a "fast count". In the semi-windup, Bob (Crusher) Massey, 235, Chicago, won on a disqualification over Jack Guy, 225, Black River Falls, Minn. Guy was awarded the fall at 26:55, but was disqualified a few seconds later, when he refused to stop battling.

Some Late News By Bill Hawkins.

George Parnassus, Sioux City wrestling promotor, has closed down for the summer months. Parnassus had a record of sellouts and near sell-outs for the season. Sioux City's 1953-54 mat season will open again September 15 and carry on through the winter months, into the spring of 1954.

The final card of the indoor season was a grand climax to a series of mat cards. Verne Gagne, scored a straight-fall victory over Ivan Rasputin. It was a wild affair and at one time after the first fall, the two men were outside the ropes banging away with both hands. With the help of the police department and the fans, both were pushed back into

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Welterweight Johnny Saxton, remained undefeated as he belted his way to a unanimous decision over Joe Miceli, here Miceli is staggered by Saxton's right cross.

TITLE SHOTS NOT TO DESERVING

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even path for him either. He fought Dempsey for the right to meet Gene Tunney. Although Sharkey claimed foul the record shows Dempsey knocked him out. Dempsey went on to the "Battle of the Long Count" with Tunney. The next year Tunney knocked out Tom Heeney and retired, undefeated world heavyweight champion.

Now at last it was Sharkey's turn. Eventually he and Max Schmeling met for the title. Jack fouled Max, and the German was crowned champion. The New York commission ruled that Schmeling must defend the title against Sharkey. Instead Schmeling went to Cleveland and knocked out W. L. (Young) Stribling.

The New York commission suspended Joe Jacobs, Schmeling's manager, for "life". They attempted to set Sharkey up as champion, but the best he could do was box a draw with Mickey Walker. He followed this with a victory over Primo Carnera.

Sharkey eventually got his second chance. Joe Jacobs "life" sentence was lifted, and fighting in the now defunct Garden Bowl, Sharkey took a disputed decision and the title from Schmeling.

Jacobs yelled his famous words "We Wuz Robbed" over the radio, and was promptly suspended for "life" again.

THERE is an interesting story about Sam Langford's attempt to get a heavyweight title fight from Jack Johnson. They had met early in their careers at Chelsea, Mass. Johnson, weighing 185 pounds, beat Langford, who scaled only 156. Years passed and Johnson became the heavyweight champion.

Langford, the Boston Tar Baby, and one of the most terrific hitters of all time, wanted to fight for the crown. He followed Johnson all over the world. Jack wanted no part of Sam.

They met one night in a Cafe. Langford demanded that the champion fight him for the title.

"I would like to Sam, you know that, but I am dated up for the next six months," said Johnson.

"Then take off your coat. I will fight you right here," said Langford.

"Don't talk foolish Sam. I will tell you what. I have a long distance call coming in, but you sit right here for five minutes," said Johnson. "I will be back, and we will make arrangements for a title fight."

Langford waited five minutes. He waited five hours. It must have been the longest telephone call on record. Johnson never came back. It seems needless to add Langford never got a chance at the title.

Peter Jackson, the great Australian Negro, is another who deserved a title fight. He didn't get one because John L. Sullivan "drew the color line." John wanted none of Peter.

Schmeling, who gave Sharkey the run-a-round, learned later that two can play the same game. When Max knocked out Joe Louis he qualified to fight James J. Braddock for the world heavyweight championship. Actually they were matched, but Braddock, from his training camp at Loch Sheldrake, N. Y., reported he had injured his pinkie. The fight was postponed from September to the following June.

Mike Jacobs, fighting to get control of the Garden, stepped in and convinced Braddock he could make more money fighting Louis for the title in Chicago. Braddock agreed, but there was the contract to fight Schmeling. The Garden turned it over to its lawyers, and at the same time went through the motions of promoting a Braddock-Schmeling fight.

In ring history this is known as the "Phantom Fight." Braddock never showed up, of course. He was knocked out by Louis in Chicago, while Schmeling twiddled his thumbs in New York.

A year later Louis fought Schmeling, and knocked him out in one round. When Louis was champion everybody got a chance. Nobody was barred. He fought them all, big or little, short or tall, fat men, thin men, leading challengers and ordinary heavyweights.

EZZARD CHARLES, when he succeeded Louis as champion, did the same thing. Misfortune overtook him in Pittsburgh, when he met Jersey Joe Walcott for the third time, and was knocked out.

Sugar Ray Robinson has gone into retirement leaving the middleweight throne vacant. Robinson gave up the welterweight title to fight Jake LaMotta for the middleweight crown. Getting that chance was easy. Getting his chance at the welterweight title was a lot tougher.

For years Robinson was the uncrowned welterweight king. The title was held by Freddie (Red) Cochrane. Cochrane wanted a guarantee to defend the title. He thought $50,000 was a nice figure. For reasons never revealed—they were largely personal — Mike Jacobs didn't force Robinson on Cochrane. Uncle Mike wasn't guaranteeing anybody, and in view of what happened in Chicago, where Walcott was guaranteed $250,000, he may have been wise.

Al Weill was managing Marty Servo in those days. He went to Jacobs with a proposition. Give Servo 60 percent of the gate, and he would guarantee Cochrane $50,000. The match was made and Servo won in four rounds.

The fight didn't draw what had been expected, and to square accounts Servo agreed to fight Rocky Graziano, a red-hot card, in a non-title bout. Eddie Eagan, chairman of the New York commission at the time, sanctioned the bout with the proviso that Servo defend the welterweight title against Robinson within 90 days.

In knocking out Servo, Graziano damaged Marty's nose. The latter attempted to avoid the Robinson fight. He got one postponement. He tried to get another, but Eagan insisted the fight take place. It never did and Servo was stripped of the championship. As to the seriousness of the injury, Marty retired and never fought again.

They dug up Tommy Bell, and matched him with Robinson. Sugar Ray won and at last was welterweight champion. Getting a championship chance isn't easy. Few who deserve one are denied the opportunity, but the road to the top often isn't an express highway.

IN SYRACUSE RINGS
By Billy Shaw

IN a thrilling battle that kept a record crowd in a continuous uproar, Carmen Basilio, 145, pride of Canastota and Syracuse, won a 12-round unanimous decision over Billy Graham, 145, New York, at War Memorial Auditorium. The victory carried with it the New York State welterweight crown, newest innovation of chairman Robert Christenberry, of the State Athletic Commission. Christenberry himself presented Basilio with a $250 diamond belt, emblematic of the title, which was awarded by Ray Arcel. More than 2,000 fans were turned away, while 9,244 paid $46,200 to view the exciting contest.

The perfectly conditioned Basilio never stopped boring in, absolutely disregarding Graham's bombardment. Carmen poured heavy leather from all angles, breaking down Billy's morale with his hard blows to the head and body. Carmen took the play away from Graham at the start and hurt Billy with hard blows to the jaw in the first, fourth, seventh and twelfth rounds.

Judge Ted Sheils saw it six for Basilio, five for Graham and one even. Judge Jack Michaels called it seven for Carmen, five for Billy; while Referee Al Berl, of New York, liked Basilio as winner of nine rounds, two for Graham and one even.

Mike DeJohn, Syracuse, 209, defeated Pete Graham, 208, in a four-round bout. Originally scheduled for six heats it had to be curtailed to permit the windup to go on television on time. Frank Alotta, 155, Allentown, Pa., outsocked Carl Jackson, 155, Hartford, Conn., in a fast six. Jackson hit the deck twice. Eddie Reynolds, 152, Syracuse, took the nod over Calvin Nathan, 150, Cleveland, in a fast six. Jimmy Cousins, 152, Syracuse, won from Larry Baker, 146, Syracuse, in six.

BUFFALO, N. Y.
By Hugh Shannon

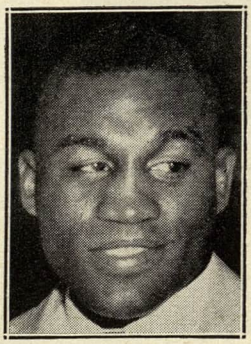
PROMOTER Tom Lippes of the Hudson Boxing Club expects to stage one or two TV boxing shows during the summer months and may take at least one fling at staging an outdoor program at the local baseball park, Offermann Stadium.

HERE AND THERE.—Antonio Rocca, the Argentine grappler, made a big hit in Buffalo as the headliner in the Upstate club's final Spring show, in Memorial auditorium. . . . Stan Barron, Station WKBW's new sportscaster, is jampacking his daily programs with up-to-the-minute news. . . . Billy Collins, of Springville, former National AAU champion, has made a hit in Boston since he turned pro. . . . A former amateur star, who also boxed professionally, was drowned here June 6. He was Jimmy Winters, whose car went out of control and plunged into the Buffalo river. In writing, address Hugh Shannon, 299 Maple Street, Buffalo 4, N. Y.

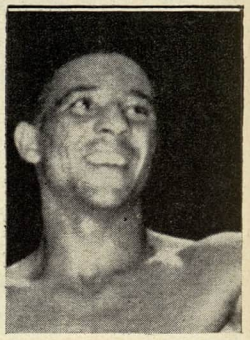
Turpin and Carter Are Fighters of Month

The RING RATINGS

By NAT FLEISCHER



Jimmy Carter



Randy Turpin

RANDY TURPIN and Jimmy Carter share honors as fighters of the month by virtue of their victories over Charles Humez and George Araujo. Turpin, by this win, established himself as the European representative for world middleweight honors and Carter, by his sterling defense of his lightweight crown, gained a place in this months honor role.

Inactivity among the heavyweights caused a stagnation in that division with no changes in the ratings.

Among the light-heavyweights, Rocky Jones, is dropped from a place among the elite, due to inactivity, with Gerhard Hecht, of Germany and Dennis Powell, of Wales, moving up to eighth and ninth places and Billy Smith jumping to seventh spot. A new face makes its appearance in Floyd Patterson, Olympic winner, a youngster who has been piling up a spectacular record since he turned pro and is now in tenth place.

There were few changes among the middleweights with Charles Humez, of France, dropping a notch to fourth place as a result of his loss to Turpin and Paddy Young moving in to third. An inactive Joe Rindone makes way in tenth spot for Bobby Dykes who has been fighting and winning consistently.

The welterweights really scrambled themselves around this month. Billy Graham was upset by Carmen Basilio and dropped to fifth position with Basilio moving up from eighth to

RING RATINGS FOR THE MONTH

Ending June 18, 1953

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Over 175 pounds)

World Champion
Rocky Marciano, Brockton, Mass.
1—Ezzard Charles, Cincinnati, Ohio
2—Rito and LaStarza, New York City
3—Jersey Joe Walcott, Camden, N. J.
4—Bob Baker, Pittsburgh, Pa.
5—Dan Bucceroni, Philadelphia, Pa.
6—Tommy Harrison, Oakland, Calif.
7—Rex Layne, Lewiston, Utah
8—Heinz Neuhaus, Germany
9—Karel Sys, Belgium
10—Jimmy Bivins, Cleveland, Ohio

LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Not over 175 pounds)

World Champion
Archie Moore, St. Louis, Mo.
1—Joey Maxim, Cleveland, Ohio
2—Harold Johnson, Philadelphia
3—Yolande Pompee, Trinidad
4—Danny Nardico, Tampa, Fla.
5—Jimmy Slade, New York City
6—Larry Watson, Omaha, Neb.
7—Billy Smith, Oakland, Calif.
8—Gerhard Hecht, Germany
9—Dennis Powell, Wales
10—Floyd Patterson, Brooklyn, N. Y.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(Not over 160 pounds)

World Champion
Title Vacant
1—Randolph Turpin, England
2—Bobo Olson, Hawaii
3—Paddy Young, New York City
4—Charley Humez, France
5—Joey Giambra, Buffalo, N. Y.
6—Joe Giardello, Philadelphia, Pa.
7—Rocky Castellani, Luzerne, Pa.
8—Pierre Langlois, France
9—Ernie Durando, Bayonne, N. J.
10—Bobby Dykes, San Antonio, Texas

WELTERWEIGHTS
(Not over 147 pounds)

World Champion
Kid Gavilan, Havana, Cuba
1—Johnny Bratton, Chicago, Ill.
2—Gil Turner, Philadelphia, Pa.
3—Johnny Saxton, Brooklyn, N. Y.
4—Carmen Basilio, Syracuse, N. Y.
5—Billy Graham, New York City
6—Joe Miceli, Brooklyn, N. Y.
7—Art Aragon, Los Angeles, Calif.
8—Chuck Davey, Lansing, Mich.
9—Ramon Fuentes, Los Angeles, Calif.
10—Danny Womber, Chicago, Ill.

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(Not over 135 pounds)

World Champion
James Carter, New York City
1—Johnny Gonsalves, Oakland, Calif.
2—George Araujo, Providence, R. I.
3—Paddy DeMarco, Brooklyn, N. Y.
4—Arthur King, Toronto, Canada
5—Orlando Zulueta, Havana, Cuba
6—Eddie Chavez, San Jose, Calif.
7—Joe Brown, New Orleans, La.
8—Armand Savoie, Montreal, Canada
9—Wallace Bud Smith, Cincinnati, Ohio
10—Arthur Persley, Red Cross, La.

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(Not over 126 pounds)

World Champion
Sandy Saddler, (U. S. Army)
1—Willie Pep, Hartford, Conn.
2—Teddy Davis, Hartford, Conn.
3—Percy Bassett, Philadelphia, Pa.
4—Baby Ortiz, Mexico City
5—Tommy Collins, Boston, Mass.
6—Davey Gallardo, Los Angeles, Cal.
7—Charley Riley, St. Louis, Mo.
8—Ray Famechon, France
9—Lulu Perez, Brooklyn, N. Y.
10—Corky Gonzales, Denver, Colo.

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(Not over 118 pounds)

World Champion
Jimmy Carruthers, Australia
1—Robert Cohen, France
2—Pappy Gault, Spartanburg, S. C.
3—Vic Toweel, South Africa
4—Peter Keenan, Scotland
5—Pierre Cossemyns, Belgium
6—Maurice Sandeyron, France
7—Gianni Zuddas, Italy
8—Emile Chemama, France
9—Chamren Songkitrat, Thailand
10—Bobby Sinn, Australia

FLYWEIGHTS
(Not over 112 pounds)

World Champion
Yoshio Shirai, Japan
1—Jake Tuli, South Africa
2—Tanny Campo, Philippines
3—Terry Allen, England
4—Louis Kena, France
5—Jimmy Pearce, England
6—Eric Marsden, England
7—Vic Herman, Scotland
8—Charley Bohbot, French Morocco
9—Leo Espinosa, Philippines
10—Young Martin, Spain

fourth. Gil Turner moved up to the number two spot followed by Johnny Saxton. Joe Miceli dropped a notch to sixth due to his loss to Johnny Saxton and the top notch showing of Basilio. Art Aragon fell to seventh, resulting from inactivity and Chuck Davey also lost another notch for lack of worthy opponents.

Armand Savoie was the focal point of much of the lightweight action this month and dropped to eighth place due to losses to Arthur King and Eddie Chavez climbed from a ninth place cellar to sixth position.

The featherweights took a kicking around during the month with an inactive Tommy Collins sliding to fifth and Baby Ortiz moving into the fourth spot by reason of a solid win over Memo Valero for the Mexican title. Ray Famechon, not in action, falls to eighth on the ladder with Dave Gallardo and Charley Riley climbing into sixth and seventh niches. Lulu Perez, making stride, moves into ninth, exchanging places with Corky Gonzales, because of a good win over Glen Flanagan.

Among the wee lads, the bantamweights show a Pappy Gault continuing on winning ways and climbing into the second notch with an inactive Vic Toweel dropping a peg. Vic has announced that he will campaign as a featherweight, but not having fought, *The Ring* is rating him on the basis of last results until action takes place. Robert Meunier, of France and Luis Castillo drop out of the select circle of bantams to make room for Chamrern Songkatrit, of Thailand, holder of assorted titles including the lightweight crown of the Orient, although he actually is a bantam. He takes ninth and number ten is filled by Bobby Sinn, who just won the Australian title from Young Regan.

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Ezzard Charles kayoed Larry Watson, 5. Bob Baker outpointed Nino Valdes, 10. 39-year-old Karel Sys whipped Hugo Salfeld, 10.

Canadian champion Earl Walls kayoed Jack Nelson, 1. Jimmy Bivins outpointed Chubby Wright, 10. John Holman halted George Powell, 3. Mark Hart outboxed Reg Andrews, 10.

Ken Brady won vacant Australian title by kayoing Reg Mack, 8. Bob Satterfield kayoed Gene Brown, 2. Dave Whitlock outpointed Bobby Wise, 10. Kurt Schiegl edged out Werner Wiegand, 10. Russell Sesson kayoed Mack Andrews, 3, and beat Ernie Sheppard, 6.

Joe Bygraves halted Peter McCann, 1, but in turn was stopped by Joe Crickmar, 2. Edgardo Romero kayoed Marvin Baker, 2. Neil Welch won from Al Smith, 6. Billy Mayo kayoed Buster Gorden, 4.

Ringo Harris beat Martin Lee, 6. Wilson Kohlbrecher disposed of Gunter Warmbrunn, 2. Don Smith kayoed Less Waugh, 1, and Bobby Lee, 2. Vern Esco outpointed Chuck Woodworth, 8. Tony Gruber halted light-heavyweight Nico Cramer, 3. Hosa Chapman kayoed Pat Richards, 5, and Bob Johnson, 3.

Oscar Pharo kayoed George Fisch, 5, and beat Bill Wilson, 6, Wilson was kayoed by James J. Parker, 4. Fitzie Fitzpatrick kayoed Joe Turner, 3. Benny Thomas beat Neil Welch, 5.

Tunney Hunsaker kayoed O'Neal Crocker, 4. Jimmy Byrnes kayoed Jimmy Maggert, 1. Jack Hobbs disposed of Reg Andrews, 2.

Peter Toch outpointed Denny Ball, 3, and Mick Cowan, 3. Cowan decisioned Eric Danks, 3. Eddie Hearn whipped Jim Burrows, 3.

Baby Walcott stopped Bill McClure, 5. Ringo Harris kayoed LeRoy Scales, 5.

LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHTS

Larry Watson was kayoed by ex-heavyweight champion Ezzard Charles, 5.

Yolande Pompee stopped Roland Guille, 2. Dutch champion Wim Snoek whipped Albert Finch, 10, and polished off Winnfried Henne, 5. Polly Smith stopped Ned Hicks.

Prospects For The Month

HEAVYWEIGHT, Tunney Hunsacker, Lakeland, Texas.
LIGHT - HEAVYWEIGHT, Tommy Thompson, Quantico, Va.
MIDDLEWEIGHT, Jimmy Watkins, Buffalo, N. Y.
WELTERWEIGHT, Monroe Kurtz, Newark, N. J.
LIGHTWEIGHT, Tommy Marciano, Philadelphia, Pa.
FEATHERWEIGHT, Fernando Silva, Havana, Cuba.
BANTAMWEIGHT, Rudolph Artuyo, Honolulu, T. H.
FLYWEIGHT, Dennis Hunter, Ireland.

Floyd Patterson kayoed Gordon Wallace, 3. Chuck Woodworth outpointed Jack Nelson, 10. Heinz Sachs drew with Don Ellis, 8. Ellis lost to Willi Schagen, 10. Schagen was knocked out by Willi Hoepner, 5.

Billy Carter beat Dave Tittman, 8. Eddie Marshall kayoed Tex Newby, 2. German champion Gerhardt Hecht retained title by stopping middleweight Hans Stretz, 10. Howard King defeated Bobby Wise, 6. Wise also lost to heavyweight Dave Whitlock, 10.

Jimmy Jewell outpointed Billy Brown, 10, but lost to middleweight Ed Springer, 10. Karl Ameisbichler kayoed Theo Baumjohann, 2, drew with Willi Besmanoff, 6, and halted Hans Strelecki, 5.

Chuck Speiser outpointed Lalu Sabotin, 8, and kayoed Sonny Wilcox, 3. Harold Carter whipped Joey Rowan, 6. Joe Green kayoed Jimmy Redmond, 2. Paul Perkins decisioned Kenny Nichols, 8.

Nico Cramer won on disqualification from Bruno Junkuhn, 3, but was flattened by heavyweight Toni Gruber, 3. Mike Augustain defeated Henry Taylor, 6. Cliff Barnett kayoed Edgar Jones, 4, and drew with Richie Lopez, 6.

Andre Tessier kayoed Johnny Pruitt, 4. Don Grant kayoed Jerry Holman, 4. Alex Buxton halted Emile Delmine, 6. Eddie Miller kayoed Milton Ricken, 1. Harley Breshears kayoed Dean Anderson, 3.

Julio Neves polished off Oscar Menozzi, 5. Eddie (Polly) Smith iced Ned Hicks, 7.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Randy Turpin retained European title by outpointing Charley Humez, 15.

Lee Sala defeated Charlie Williams, 10. Bobby Dykes outclassed Pet Gil, 10, and Cisco Saenz, 10. Ralph Jones defeated Joe Tomasello, 10, and Mickey Laurent, 10.

Jesse Turner outfought Norman Hayes, 10, but lost to Holly Mims, 10. Georgie Johnson stopped Ike Williams, 8. Joe Giardello defeated Hurley Sanders, 10. Terry Moore drew with Heinz Sanger, 10. Al Mobley and Leo Starosch divided honors, 10 Jimmy Herring defeated Sal DiMartino, 10.

Randy Sandy defeated Tuzo Portuguez, 10. Bobby Dawson stopped Wally Beckett, 8. Gordon Hazell halted Scottish champion Willie Armstrong, 10. Esau Ferdinand kayoed Art Soto, 3, but lost to Charlie Green, 10. Green kayoed Dick Finley, 3.

German champion Hans Stretz knocked out Antonio Soldevilla, 8. Al Andrews decisioned Pat Lowry, 8, and kayoed Dee Tonio, 8. Willie Dockery upset Joe Blackwood, 10. Unbeatened Pat McAteer registered tenth professional victory by stopping Ron Grogan, 4, and ran his streak to eleven by edging out Ernie Vickers, 8.

Lester Felton outscored Joey Greenwood, 8. Bob Boyd outpointed Pedro Gonzales, 8. Pete Servin outscored Earl Turner, 10.

German champion Hans Stretz lost in bid for national light-heavyweight title when he was stopped by Gerhardt Hecht, 10. Major Jones decisioned Jimmy Bull, 10. Harry Braelow outscored Eddie Springer, 10, and Jack LaBua, 10. Freddy Mans drew with Jimmy Welch, 8. Dick Wolf kayoed Chico Aquilar, 5. Ted Olla outscored Joe Leudanski, 8.

Mickey Rhodes beat Kid Leon, 6. Leon was stopped by Govan Small, 4. Moses Ward stopped Wilfredo Miro, 2. Nenos Solomon outscored Chico Pacheco, 10, but lost to Red Elby, 8. Lou Lawrence outpointed Bill Brenner, 10.

Billy LeBlanc outpointed O'Neal Crocker, 8, but lost to Tobe Harris, 8. Alfie Sands blasted Carlo Marchini out, 9. Jimmy Williams beat Willie Boyd, 6. Jimmy DeLeon stopped Dennis Woodbury, 5.

Carlo Mola was too experienced for Alfons Kubes, 8. Willie Eaton kayoed Jose Contreras, 4. Sal Flores stopped Armand Cotero, 4. Yvon Durelle kayoed Tony Amato, 6, and George Ross, 12. Billy Gorden decisioned Pat Clarey, 8.

Harvey Fallon outfought Art Thayer, 8, and boxed a no contest with Tobe Harris. Sammy Saunders outscored Russ Gilliam, 6. Willie Vaughan defeated Govan Small, 10. Jerry Colson defeated Wayne Strowbridge, 6. Pat Kenny halted Bruce Farthing, 5.

Stan Jones kayoed Al Raymond, 5. Charley Howard kayoed Dick Vess, 1. Eddie Springer beat Jimmy Jewell, 10. Johnny McCray outfought Roberto Martinez, 6.

Danny Rubino beat Pat Best, 6. Bob Provizzi decisioned Irwin Schulz, 6, Schulz stopped Eddie Green, 6. Jimmy Nolan kayoed Joe Shoemaker, 4. Tony Anthony defeated Jimmy Champange, 8, and stopped Henry Kid) Lee, 3.

Bob Evans drew with Jim Elby, 6. Joe Shaw stopped Marcel Assire, 7. Eddie Dixon kayoed Harvey Lammers, 3. Willie Ferguson beat Harold Darlington, 10.

Dick Wolf beat Ken Nichols and Mickey Rhodes, both in 10, Rhodes beat Chico Aguilar, 6. Wes Echols stopped Gene Campbell, 2. Billy Suddeth kayoed Kirk Johnson, 4, but was stopped by Jimmy Welch, 8. Harry Poulton defeated Gil Edwards, 10.

Jimmy Elliott decisioned Joe Munro, 8. Widmer Milandri whipped Gino Rossi, 8. Martin Hansen whipped Kit Pompey, 8. Serge Barthelemy trounced Gilbert Stock, 10.

Duilio Bianchini drew with Francesco Rizzotti, 8. Cliff Schellin outpointed Earl Turner, 10. Pete Gill kayoed Ralph Helms, 9. Jimmy DeLeon stopped Al Horton, 4.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Kid Gavilan outclassed Italo Scortichini, 10, (non title).

Johnny Saxton defeated Joe Miceli 10 and lost to Gil Turner, 10.

Johnny Bratton outpointed Danny (Bang Bang) Womber, 10. Carmen Basilio won New York State title by beating Billy Graham, 12. Chuck Davey outpointed Sammy Mastream, 10.

Chico Varona beat Julio Jimenez, 10, and kayoed Clarence Sampson, 7. Rocky Brisebois stopped Cassell Tate, 8. Young Paulino kayoed X. Battalion, 4.

Danny Giovanelli upset Vince Martinez, 10. Jackie Braddock drew with Hector Constance, 10, and kayoed Eric McQuade, 5. Johnny Cesario decisioned Willie Pastrano, 8.

Luther Rawlings drew with Wallace (Bud) Smith, 10, and Joe Brown, 10. Joey Klein outpointed Bobby Elliott, 10. Ramon Tiscareno defeated Freddy Herman, 10. Phil Kim stopped Lou Williams, 2. Rocky Casillo edged out Charley Early, 8, and stopped Ken Hohner, 2. Willie Johnson defeated Billy Andy, 8.

Carmine Fiore outfought Archie Whitewater, 10. Jed Black stopped Rusty Cleek, 6, and Sammy Stuart, 5. Antonio Monzon halted Ismael Espana, 9, but was kayoed by Sixto Gonzalez, 2. Lew Lazar avenged only professional defeat by stopping Terry Ratcliffe, 3. Lazar also outpointed Danny Molloy, 8, and Ratcliffe whipped Eric Billington, 8.

Wilbur Wilson kayoed Armando Aramini, 8. Waldo Fusaro beat Sammy Rodgers, 8, but lost to Harold Lyons, 8. Terry Ryan outfought Barry Griffin, 10. Dick Kerber beat Benny Uhl, 8.

Pete Adams stopped Jay Anderson, 6. Allan Moody defeated Allie Gronick, 8, and kayoed Ray Jefferson, 2. Pat Manzi beat Chuck Price, 8. Billy Lepido decisioned Tommy Dixon, 6, and again in 4. Dixon beat Mike Colucci, 6. Eddie Ricketts outfought Phil Mellish, 8. Santos Martins halted Harry Warner, 5.

Reggie Chartrand outpunched Wes Lowry, 8, and stopped Larry Griffin, 2. Bambre Gaye canned Len Pickles, 1. Claude Fortin drew with Tony Percy, 6, and beat George Armstrong, 6. Al Wilburn outpointed Ace Chocolate, 12, after Chocolate stopped Billy Stewart, 8.

Kid Charolito kayoed John Chaney, 1. Henry Gorman drew with Joe Serafini, 6. Henny Winchman beat Phil Morizio, 6. Al Villafarro beat Bob Robinson, 6. Bert Hornby halted Teddy McCoy, 8.

Bobby Jarvis beat Nate Huskey, 6. Cec Hart outpointed Darcy Wells, 12. Darby Brown decisioned Brian Charles, 12. Lou Gage beat Billy Hartman, 6.

Jimmy Lunn defeated Chester Hodges, 6. Al (Kid) McCoy beat Sonny Luciano, 10. Luciano decisioned Whit Bowden, 8. Ike Jenkins outfought Teddy Antonetti, 6. Jimmy Carlini defeated Wes Lowery, 6. Willie Coleman beat Eddie Oliver, 8. Roy Alston kayoed Lou Whiterspoon, 1. Jackie O'Brien stopped Jackie Alexander, 5.

Nico Schoenmaker retained Dutch title by beating Fritz van Kempen, 12. Portuguese champion Raphael Da Sylva outpointed Roland Guilbert, 10. Charley Sawyer defeated Boston Wilson, 6.

Wilbur Wilson stopped Charlie Goulart, 7. Tommy Matthews beat Stonewall Jackson, 8.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Armand Savoie defeated Don Bowman, 10, then lost on a technical decision to Eddie Chavez, 9, and Arthur King, 12, for the Canadian lightweight title. He also stopped Eddie Compo in 5.

Arthur Persley upset Percy Bassett, 10. Joe Brown drew with welterweight Luther Rawl-

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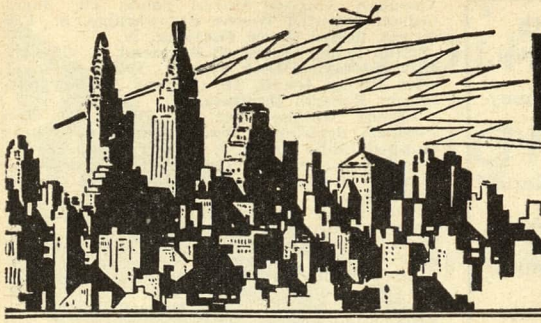


BROADCAST from NEW YORK

By JERSEY JONES

TELEVISION'S ruthless devastation of small-club boxing continues at a sickening pace. The latest casualty hereabouts is the once flourishing Fort Hamilton Arena, in Brooklyn. Unable to swing a deal for TV revenue, and fearful of trying to operate without it, the club has failed to open for business this summer.

This is the first year, since the Walker law restored legalized mayhem to the Empire State, in 1920, that the greatest sports city in the world has had no outdoor club functioning on a weekly schedule during the warmer months. The Fort was the last open-air swatatorium to concede defeat before video's ruinous advance.

Beyond the city's limits, one outdoor club in the metropolitan area is still struggling to stay alive. It is Meadowbrook Bowl, in Newark, where the promoters consider it something of a "moral victory" if they break even on a night's venture. The average gate there has become pretty much of a nickels-and-dimes proposition and all that saves the club from collapsing completely is the $1,000 per show picked up from local television.

Five years ago there were a dozen summer swat parlors operating regularly within a 25-mile radius of Times Square. Meadowbrook is the only one left.

The withdrawal of Fort Hamilton Arena has been a real jolt to the local beak-busting citizenry. Before the curse of TV descended upon boxing, the Fort was one of the most successful spots in these parts. A modern stadium, built expressly for boxing, it had a seating capacity of 5,400, and sellouts and near-sellouts were practically a habit there. It was something more than just a fight club. It was a popular community center for weekly gatherings of the neighborhood clans. Guys brought their wives or gal friends and even their kids who were old enough to be admitted. The post band helped enliven the festivities by playing popular musical selections before the show and between bouts. And on the hottest night, there was always a cool, refreshing breeze blowing in from the ocean.

BOXING at the Fort dated back to the mid-'20s and was inspired by the success of Sergeant Steve Webber's promotions at the Mitchell Field air force base on Long Island. Since nobody attached to the military personnel at the Fort knew much about boxing, Al Torre, who'd had some experience on the then lively National Guard Armory circuit, was engaged as matchmaker.

During Torre's dozen years or so at the Fort, boxing was on a modest scale. Three times the arena shifted its location, which wasn't too difficult a task. All that was necessary was to take down the fence and the ring and move them to another chunk of unoccupied ground. The first site adjoined the polo field. The second was near the Post Exchange. The third was the same spot on which the present stadium stands.

With our entry into World War II, and Torre's retirement because of failing health, boxing began to take on a more important complexion at the Fort. Professional promoter and manager Sammy Richman, then in the Army, was "requisitioned" from Fort Dix. Sammy had big-time ideas and put them into operation. He gathered an experienced staff of other boxing men, also in the Army, and started to show "name" fighters. (Incidentally, it was at the Fort that ex-boxer Ruby Goldstein, one of Richman's assistants, made his debut as a referee.)

In two seasons, under Richman's enterprising direction, boxing at the Fort boomed so lustily the Post Athletic Fund became affluent enough to warrant the erection of a real arena. A gang of Italian war prisoners, interned there, were put to work at the close of the 1943 campaign, and the new stadium one of the finest of its kind we've ever seen, was opened in 1944.

When Richman and his colleagues left the Army at the end of the war, the Monahan brothers, Ray and Jack, assumed charge of boxing at the Fort. For several years they did a thriving business until the menace of television began to crowd in on them. Once that happened, it was only a matter of time until the Fort, like so many other, once-thriving neighborhood clubs, faded from the scene.

HOW much longer the pace will be maintained, we wouldn't know, but it must be conceded that the International Boxing Club's summer schedule, in Madison Square Garden, is off to a fairly lively and interesting start.

Shoved out of the Garden for eight weeks by the annual spring stay of the Ringling Bros.-Barnum & Bailey Circus, boxing returned with a series of offerings that held something more than just casual appeal to the populace. With a general scarcity of topline talent available these days, it's a difficult task rounding up, week after week, the sort of attractions that belong in the House That Tex Built, but there was little complaint to register against the first five shows of the current season.

The opening card featured one of our better young developments, welterweight Danny Giovanelli, in his Garden headline debut, against Vince Martinez. Then, another outstanding newcomer, featherweight Lulu Perez, was given a chance on the Big Time, with Glen Flanagan as the party of the other part. When the kids had their flings, the spotlight shifted to the other end—to a fading but still capable veteran, Willie Pep, returning to a New York ring after an "exile" of nearly two years, and tangling with crude but industrious Pat Marcune. Next came a world lightweight title match between champion Jimmy Carter and his No. 1 challenger, George Araujo. Finally, there was the Carl (Bobo) Olson-Paddy Young showdown for the American middleweight laurels and a chance to meet Randy Turpin for the world title.

Conditions being what they are in the trade these days, the I.B.C. deserves some sort of pat on its collective back for doing a pretty fair job with the little it has to do with.

The winning performances of Brooklyn's pair of youngsters, Giovanelli and Perez, assured the I.B.C. of two "new faces" for future exploitation. Of the two, Giovanelli would appear the more likely to catch the fancy of the clients. At this stage of their careers, Perez may be a somewhat smoother mechanic, but Lulu's style, while effective enough, is too mechanical and lacking in excitement. Giovanelli is a busy, colorful kid, with a real zest for fighting. There seldom is a dull moment while he's in there. He doesn't give his opponent much chance to rest. Danny has two good hands and knows how to use them. His main fault, at the moment, is an eager-beaver tendency to become reckless and take unnecessary chances. But he's only a kid yet—he turned 21 a few days after the Martinez affair—and his entire pro career embraces less than two dozen bouts. Time and experience should steady him.

GIOVANELLI'S decision over Martinez was generally regarded as an "upset", but it shouldn't have been. Danny's manager, Lippy Breidbart, is an experienced hand in this

business and his interest in the kid is personal, as well as professional. He wouldn't have accepted the match if he didn't feel Giovanelli had at least an even chance to win.

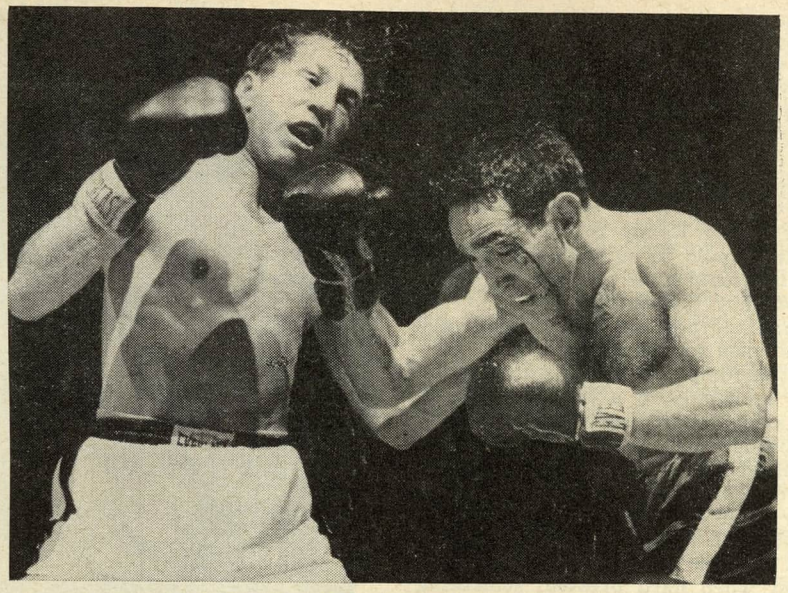
Danny was a substitute. Originally, Chico Vejar, who had beaten Martinez in a previous Garden bout, was to have met the Patersonian in a return but a replacement became necessary when Chico was grabbed by the Army.

Offered the date for Giovanelli, Breidbart grabbed it.

The pre-battle opinion around town was that Giovanelli, who'd gone the ten-round route only once before, was not quite ready for the older, more experienced, sharpshooting Martinez. Violent Vince was a heavy favorite, at a 3-to-1 price. But Breidbart had other ideas. He had seen Martinez in action several times and was certain Giovaenlli had the equipment to beat him.

"Martinez is dangerous if you let him set his own pace," explained Lippy, "but he doesn't do so well when he's crowded—as Vejar proved—and crowding the other guy is the thing Danny does best."

That's just the sort of fight Giovanelli waged. He set a blistering pace from the start, swarming all over Martinez, backing him against ropes and into corners. Vince had to fight back in self-defense. In sustained action, it was one of the most exciting brawls seen in the Garden in some time. Several times Giovanelli was rocked by Martinez's jolting left hooks and booming rights, but the kid would shake off the effects and come bounding back with both hands blazing away. Danny was staggered in the sixth, and in the ninth he ran headlong into a right that sent him sprawling for an automatic eight count. But, tired as he was from the terrific pace he had been setting, Giovanelli had enough stuff left to outfight Martinez in a sizzling tenth and final session.



Former featherweight champion Willie Pep (right) celebrated return to New York rings, after "exile" of nearly two years, by giving brilliant exhibition in stopping Pat Marcune in tenth round, in Madison Square Garden.

TIME may be running out on Willie Pep, but not fast enough for the Hartford veteran to start worrying about the likes of Pat Marcune.

Pep made an auspicious occasion of his first showing in New York since he was "barred for life" after that disgraceful episode with Sandy Saddler, at the Polo Grounds, in September, 1951.

Willie was on his good behavior with Marcune, but he could well afford to be. He didn't need any rough stuff to handle the Coney Islander, but he did need a spectacular rally late in the ninth and a quick finishing job in the tenth, to save himself when it looked as though his aging legs were finally giving out.

For six rounds, the thing was no contest. The Old Master tossed a beautiful boxing lesson into the eager, but crude, Marcune. Willie had Pat swinging like the traditional rusty gate, falling all over himself, stumbling into the ropes, and wondering how he ever got tangled up in this mess in the first place. Pep would dart in, jab or hook with his left, slip away, come back with a right to the chin, glide out of range again, move in with an uppercut, spin Marcune in close, and clip him with another hook. It was all quite entertaining to the customers, but most bewildering to Marcune.

In the fifth round, it looked as though Willie would end matters when he cracked Pat on the chin with an uppercut and dumped him in a heap. The Coney Islander staggered up at eight and just about managed to last to the bell.

Pep had been going at such a lively pace that his legs showed the strain in the seventh. When Willie slowed down and tried to coast, he bumped into trouble. In the seventh he suffered a rip on the outside corner of his left eye, and in the eighth the rip became an ugly gash from his left brow to the forehead. (After the bout, the damage required fifteen stitched to patch.)

Pep's roughest round was the ninth, when it looked as though his legs would collapse under him. Marcune reached him with some lusty clouts in that frame, but just when it seemed that Willie was ready to go, the veteran suddenly unleashed a violent two-handed storm that swept Marcune to the ropes and had him reeling at the bell.

Glassy-eyed and rubbery-legged, Pat had to be helped back to his corner by his handlers. Dr. Vincent Nardiello hopped into the ring, looked him over and with only one round to go, decided to give Marcune the benefit of the doubt and let him try to finish it out. But, Pat was still woozy as the tenth started and Pep lost no time ending matters. Crowded into Willie's corner, Marcune was taking an unmerciful lacing when Referee Petey Scalzo called a halt with the round only 14 seconds old.

THE month's results: Having the better of the action at long range and holding his own in the infighting, Arthur Persley, 134½, Red Cross, La., registered the most important victory of his career by edging out the interim featherweight champion, Percy Bassett, 132, Philadelphia, in a rugged, hard-hitting ten at Eastern Parkway. Persley won by running up a big early lead and staving off Bassett's strong finish. The Louisianan accounted for the best punch of the fight when he stunned Basset with a right to the chin in the sixth. After ten consecutive triumphs, the winning streak of promising young Johnny Busso, 137½, East Side, was checked when Frederico Escalero, 137, Puerto Rico, earned a draw in the semi-final six. Carmeleo Costa, 131, Brooklyn, decisioned Ray Edwards, 136, Jamaica, in another six. In fours, Frankie Flood, 141, Yorkville, whipped Walter Kapa, 141½, Brooklyn; Jimmy Squires, 150¼, Brooklyn, won from Tony Racine, 145½, Quebec, and Billy Mayo, Brooklyn, kayoed Billy Supple, 170½, Beacon, N. Y., at 1:26 of the second.

Wasting too much time in the early rounds by affected nonchalance, Ralph Jones, 154, Yonkers, settled down to serious business at the half-way mark and battered out an easy decision over Joe Tomasello, 158, Elizabeth, N. J., in ten, at Ridgewood Grove. Jones' tendency to exaggerate his talents by casual indifference enabled Tomasello to make a good showing for five rounds, but when Ralph realized he had to fight to win he went to work in earnest. From the sixth on he tossed a vicious body lacing into Tomasello, and the youthful Elizabethan had rough going lasting to the finish. Joe was down in the ninth from a left hook to the midsection and he just about weathered the storm in the tenth. Billy Lepido, 148, Bronx, decisioned Tommy Dixon, 148, Long Island City, in the semi-final six. In fours, Jimmy Williams, 154½, Harlem, outpointed Willis Boyd, 161½, Chicago; Paulie Griffin, 151, Brooklyn, won from Al Lynn, 151, Jamaica, and Angelo Ugitano, 158¾, East Side, halted Al Green, 153¾, Brooklyn, at 2:15 of the first.

Considering it was the first fight card in Madison Square Garden in eight weeks, and both headliners were popular youngsters, with large personal followings, the turnout for the Danny Giovanelli-Vince Martinez shindig was a bitter disappointment. Only 4,583 clients were present, the gross gate hitting $15,715. Unbeaten Frankie Ryff, 138¼, Bronx, ran off with his ninth pro win by taking an easy decision from stubby Richie (Kid) Howard, 135, Halifax, in a tame semi-final eight. Ryff was too smooth an operator for the rough and tumble Canadian. Another eight was halted at 1:04 of the fourth, George Justine, 137½, Philadelphia, winning from Johnny Kamber, 136¾, Millburn, N. J. In fours, LeRoy Coleman, 156, Lodi, N. J., outpointed Bobby Copeland, 156, Harlem; Frank Amboselli, 154½, Bronx, polished off Kevin Griffin, 151¾, White Plains, at 2:30 of the second, and Joe Fusco, 151, Stamford, Conn., turned in one of the fastest kayos ever posted in the Garden when Billy Van Gilder, 150, Ithaca, N. Y., was counted out 39 seconds after the opening bell.

Using his height, reach and speed to good advantage, Randy Sandy, 156½, Harlem, won handily from Tuzo Portuguez, 160½, Costa Rica, in a hard-fought ten celebrating the first anniversary of Eastern Parkway as a TV network studio. In registering his twelfth victory in thirteen professional starts, the lanky Sandy featured a fast left and effective combinations to the head and body, but the slower, plodding Portuguez was dangerous all the way. In the ninth, the Costa Rican connected with a right that had Sandy rocking for a few moments, but the skinny Harlemite boxed his way out of serious trouble. A knockdown in the last round cinched the verdict for Bob Provizzi, 162, Corona, over Irwin Schulz, 164, Yorkville, in the semifinal six. Houston Brown, 131¾, Cleveland, beat Eddie Griffin, 131½, Philadelphia, in another six. In fours, Walter Kapa, 145½, decisioned a fellow-Brooklynite, Frank Andrilon, 140½, Dave Carillo, 130, West Side, outpointed Johnny Gilson, 131, Broad Channel, and Paulie Griffin, 150, Brooklyn, whipped Emerson Butcher, 150, Rock Island, Ill.

Occasional flurries of aggressiveness were enough to net Miguel Berrios, 129, Puerto Rico, the decision over Earl Hilton, 128½, Philadelphia, in a dull ten at Ridgewood Grove. The lanky Hilton spent most of the time back-pedaling and using his long range to keep Berrios as far away as possible. The Puerto Rican seemed satisfied to win without making too much of an issue of it. A fairly lively supporting card helped to supply some of the action missing in the windup. In an all-New Jersey, semi-final six, Danny Rubino, 154¼, Hoboken, squared a previous defeat by edging out Pat Best, 152¾, Englewood. In another six, Al Hunter, 130, Bronx, won from the busy Puerto Rican veteran, Filberto Osario, 128, who was fighting his eleventh preliminary bout in three and a half months. Tommy Marciano, 140, Philadelphia, outpointed Lou Martino, 137, Jersey City, in four. Another four was abbreviated when Howard Soligny, 154½, Brooklyn, was disqualified at 2:37, of the first, for repeatedly fouling a borough rival, Jimmy Squires, 153.

Though he won handily enough, young Lulu Perez, 126¾, Brooklyn, was something less than sensational in winning his first Madison Square Garden main event from Glen Flanagan, 129¼, St. Paul. The bout, last of three tens, was marred by too much aimless dancing and clinching. The only damage suffered by either rival was a gash above Flanagan's left eye which bled profusely in the closing rounds. The win was Perez's twentieth in a row and gave the 20-year-old Brooklynite an overall pro record of 29–1. The semi-final was a sloppy affair with Willie Dockery, 160½, Brooklyn, getting the decision over Joe Blackwood, 161½, Patterson, N. J. In the first ten, Joey Cam, 129¾, Boston, was too strong for chunky Bill Bossio, 123¾, Pittsburgh. In fours, Frank Gioseffi, 185, Bronx, outfumbled Pat Lynch, 180, West Side, and Joe Malanga, 218, mauled out a verdict over a fellow-Bronxite, Ike Thomas, 190. The attendance was a disappointing 3,171, the gross gate dropping to $7,470, the lowest reported for a Garden fight card in a year.

In running off his seventh straight win as a pro and sixth by kayo, Brooklyn's Olympic champion, Floyd Patterson, 165½, was too fast a puncher for dangerous but slow Gordon Wallace, 163½, Brantford, Ont., at Eastern Parkway. Wallace managed to get in a few good raps to Patterson's body, but was overwhelmed by the Brooklynite's blistering combinations. Referee Ray Miller called a halt at 52 seconds of the third, when the Canadian

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"Most of the time Humez was growling and grinning at me when I hurt him. But when he's hurt he's most dangerous. Let no one tell you that he can't punch. I was not there to murder my opponent. I was out there to win and I won decisively. I trained to meet the style of my man and I fought as I had planned."

BUT that plan didn't satisfy his most ardent followers among the spectators who packed the gigantic stadium nor the scribes who had touted Randy to the skies and had hoped that his triumph would be so complete and his fighting so effective that they could come to America for the final test fully convinced that the British entry in the middleweight championship tourney stood out head and heels over the world's best men in the division.

They had expected him to triumph via the knockout route, yet he didn't produce the semblance of a kayo blow in 15 rounds and they left the arena wondering whether he will take the same cavalier attitude when he fights for universal recognition as world middleweight king. He had better not, is my advice, for in his American opponent he'll find a much stronger sturdier, classier opponent that he did in Humez.

Turpin will have to fight much better than he did against Humez to win in America. He may do so. He's a heavy body puncher and does his best when hard pressed, something that was lacking in Humez except in the last four rounds. The tougher the opposition, the better Randy battles. So let's hope that in New York the American opposition will force him to display all he possesses in fighting qualities.

He lacked the fire which he exhibited in both of his fights with Robinson probably because of the weak opponent, and the fact that he had difficulty in making weight. When he reached the scales for the official weigh-in, he was half a pound over the limit. He was rushed to a turkish bath where for three-quarters of an hour he sweated, then returned for another weighing. With only ten more minutes to make the scale or forfeit his right to a title bout, he was found to be two ounces over. Then aided by his seconds who rubbed his body with heavy turkish towels, he got on the scales again and this time he was half an ounce over. Teddy Waltham, secretary of the B.B.B. of C. quickly grabbed a towel from a second and cleared the foot of the scales of all dust and again Turpin tried and just made 160 pounds. Though Randy laughed it off with the statement, "Well Humez is sweating it out as much as I am", there could be no doubt but that the entire procedure affected his fighting later on.

SO often did Randy and Charley laugh at each other and apologize for "hitting too hard" apparently, that some of the wise cracks heard around the ringside included, "Well we are seeing a fight for the laughterweight championship and I think Humez has won it."

Even in the eleventh round, when Randy swung a right that caught Humez on the jaw while he was off balance and sent him against the ropes where for 30 seconds, the British champion sent in his best and most effective attack of the entire fight, Turpin quickly stepped back and eased up on his opponent when Humez grinned at him. It was such procedure that caused the gathering to call for more top fighting.

In a spirit of mockery, one of the ringsiders in the following round, watching Randy and Humez grinning at each other, shouted: "Take it easy Randy. Don't exert yourself", and many others might have done likewise, except in Great Britain the fans seldom hurl comments from the ringside. They are too courteous to their fighting men.

In America such goings-on in the ring bring what is commonly known as the "Bronx Cheers." I have seen many glove engagements over a stretch of half a century of ringside coverage, but I don't recall any bout in which there was so much apology and laughter other than the one between Max Baer and Primo Carnera in which Baer played the part of a clown. This London spectacle was the laughingest "title" fight since that heavyweight fiasco.

IN the early rounds Humez back-pedalled or covered up as is the custom of all French fighters, making it appear that he was afraid to fight his man and was out to stay the limit. This he did to the chagrin of the Turpin supporters and, with few exceptions, Turpin made little attempt to draw the Frenchman out of his caginess. He was too gentlemanly, something we don't expect from those who are fighting for such huge stakes as were up in this contest and the prospects of another fortune for the winner in the American bout. Every time Turpin's stiff left collided with Humez' face, by laughing at Randy, the Frenchman was quickly relieved of further punishment for almost immediately, Turpin stepped away, smiled back at Charley, thus enabling the Frenchman to regain his confidence.

Defeat of the Frenchman. Charley Humez was cut up but not disgraced and Turpin's victory did not do him proud, in a Coronation Week battle; that had the world in expectancy. Humez failed and now an American takes over.

He showed that distinctly as the fight wore on for in the last five rounds, two of which he won and in one he gained an even break, Humez suddenly emerged from his lethargic state and carried the fight to his rival. It was only then that the spectators were treated to short spasms of real battling.

In the other rounds Humez, the former French coal miner, had little beyond granite-tough endurance. By the end of the eleventh round the Frenchman's face was crimson-colored from Randy's jabs, thus showing that Turpin was delivering some punishment to his rival, but the fault-finding was wholly brought about by the fact that Randy didn't follow through and was content to win a points decision in probably the easiest fight he has had since coming to the top.

The London crowds are accustomed to see their Randy win his fights by knockouts and anything less dissatisfies them. This was one time when had he obliged, he would have given to Coronation Week a wind-up such as tickled the palates of the British back in 1902 when the last great Coronation Sports Carnival had for its highlight the invasion of London by a dozen of America's great ring men.

WE Americans who have steadfastly held to the opinion that this fight staged by Solomons could not be for a

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RATED AND BERATED

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IN that issue of a decade ago we find that the first four of five men rated in the welterweight division held the title—Freddie Cochrane—then champion—Ray Robinson, Henry Armstrong and Fritzie Zivic. In the lightweight division, four of the first six men held titles—Bob Montgomery, Sammy Angott, Beau Jack and Juan Zurita.

Marcel Cerdan, earlier discovered and rated by *The Ring* as a welterweight, came back into the ratings for the first time as a middleweight—No. 6—the division he was to win the title in—in the April, 1944 issue. He was then fighting in the Inter-Allied tournments during the war and had made quite an impression on the many American observers. As you recall, at the time, Italy and North Africa were overpopulated with Americans.

Two "big-name" fighters in these ten-year ratings stand out as the most disappointing—Bruce Woodcock and Joe Baksi. Both had a world of stuff and the ability to win the most coveted of all championships, the heavyweight crown. Woodcock, the British heavyweight, who was to figure prominently as a top man though his victories were none too important or impressive from an international angle, first got into the ratings as a light-heavyweight in the June, 1944 issue. He had the makings of a champion, if he had been properly handled. However, he was tossed in "cold" in his American debut against the most serious of American challengers—Tami Mauriello, then at his best. Though he gave a good account of himself, he finally was tagged with a right. He never fulfilled his early promise.

Joe Baksi, who seemed to have all the assets except luck, hit the No. 1 spot in the heavyweight ratings in the August, 1944 issue and later was to carelessly blow his chance at taking the crown from an aging Joe Louis. Having kayoed Bruce Woodcock in April 1947 and several months before halted Freddie Mills, Baksi was the outstanding contender for the crown, with Louis well past his peak. His big opportunity had come. But instead Baksi elected to take on a "soft touch," Olle Tandberg, in Stockholm and wound up on the wrong side of a ten-round decision.

He was eliminated from consideration and Jersey Joe Walcott subsequentally got the chance at Louis, dropping the champion twice, and losing a questionable decision.

After fifteen years of battling, Walcott appeared in the ratings for the first time in the October, 1945 issue as the No. 10 heavyweight—and he was to turn the division topsy-turvy before he was through, appearing in eight title fights.

AN unusual circumstance cropped up in the August 1950 ratings. Two fighters were rated on a parity for the number one position in the heavyweight division, with the title vacant. The "deadlocked" men, Charles and Lee Savold, went on that way for four issues.

Savold, as you will remember, had come from nowhere and by virtue of a stunning one-round knock-out of Gino Buonvino, on March 19, 1948, at Madison Square Garden, capitalized on that victory fully. Later that year he scored knockouts over Buddy Walker and Pete Louthis, which did not improve his rating. Then he lost on a foul to Bruce Woodcock.

For the entire year of 1949 Savold was inactive, but was carried high among the heavies. Not until June 6, 1950, did he fight again, this time halting Woodcock in four rounds, bringing the dual rating with Charles, who was then holder of the N.B.A. title.

Charles broke the deadlock by decisioning Joe Louis, in fifteen rounds. This also gave him New York recognition as champion, while Savold continued to fight only in exhibition bouts.

IN that ten year period six men who were chosen "Prospects on the Month" went on to win titles, Terry Allen and Yoshio Shirai (flyweights), Sandy Saddler (featherweight), Johnny Bratton (N.B.A. welterweight), Randy Turpin (middleweight) and Rocky Marciano (heavyweight).

Other outstanding fighters who first gained attention in *The Ring* as prospects were Roland LaStarza, Dan Bucceroni, Rex Layne, Bob Murphy, Harold Johnson, Lester Felton, Rocky Castellani, Clarence Henry, Pappy Gault, Gil Turner, Eric Marsden, Bob Satterfield, Tommy Collins, Robert Cohen, Tommy Harrison and scores of others who went on to become rated men.

Rating fighters has its headaches for breathes there a manager who doesn't think his "tiger" should be among the first ten. It's taken for granted by them if their fighter is rated. If not, they do the berating.

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champ, remarked: "Harrison's a good all-around fighter. He's fast, boxes almost as well as Jersey Joe Walcott and can mix it too. Only 23, Tommy has a great ring future. In a year or so, if I'm still champ, I expect trouble from him—if and when we meet."

New York fans had a look at Harrison on July 28, 1952, when he trounced lanky Paul Andrews in a six rounder on the Marciano-Matthews card, at the Yankee Stadium. Tommy showed plenty of class then—but he's highly improved since.

He was born in Philadelphia, on November 8, 1929. "But I moved to Washington, D. C., where I took up mechanics at Phelp Vocational high school. I started amateur boxing in 1946 and had thirty contests. The following two years I worked on an Army transport, sailing around the Far East Command. I did some boxing on board ship. In 1949, I won the Far East Command middleweight title."

That year Tommy landed in Los Angeles and began working out at the Main Street gym, preparing for a ring career. There he met Johnny Villaflor, a good bantamweight back in the '20s and now a top-ranking trainer in California. After putting Harrison through ten amateur bouts Villaflor turned him over to California's top flight fight manager George Parnassus who turned Tommy pro in 1951.

Thus began one of the most fantastic ups-and-downs of a ring career a boxer ever had: Harrison beat Frankie Crane—then lost two decisions to him—then he was stopped by Crane—and finished up beating him. Their sixth meeting was a draw.

Tommy defeated Abel Fernandez—then was kayoed by him. In their third meeting—on April 6, 1952—he beat Abel in 12 cantos. Previously Harrison had lost a split decision to Carl (Bobo) Olson; later he dropped a split duke to Rocky Jones. Then, growing into a light-heavyweight, Tommy tackled tough Charley Norkus and beat him. Next he trounced Jimmy Bivins; following it up with a victory over Wes Bascom.

Game and confident, Tommy took on former heavyweight champ Ezzard Charles. It was a good slam-bang affair while it lasted, but the referee had to stop it in the ninth—Harrison's eyes being tightly closed from Ezzard's sharp blows. "This boy is one of the most courageous I ever fought," remarked Charles after the affray. "Fast and clever too. Can assimilate terrific punishment. That's the mark of a true ringman."

CONNECTICUT BOXING NEWS
By Sal Giacobbe

NEW HAVEN ARENA.—Before a disappointing crowd of only 1,198 paying customers, Leo P. Bradley's second show at the Arena, pitted New Haven's Eddie Compo, 133½, against Fall River's Bobby English, 133. English was no match for Compo, who left no doubt as to who was boss in this one. Compo was the master boxer throughout. English made a go of it in the early rounds, with an overhand right that connected frequently, but he tired under Compo's steady assault and from the seventh round on Compo won going away.

New Haven's Willie Eaton, 157, made it two straight over Jose Contreras, 163, Fall River, this time by a KO in the fourth round. New Haven's Jackie Harris won his first pro start over George Holmes, Stamford, in a four-round middleweight bout. In another four rounder, an all New Haven affair, Tony Gags, 140, won a close decision over Billy Jones, 138. The gross gate was $2,031.

Watch for outdoor shows at Hartford, New Haven, New London, Thompsonville and Stafford Springs.

The Connecticut Boxing Guild's recent Testimonial Banquet honoring Dennis T. (Dinny) McMahon as Connecticut's outstanding boxing personality was a tremendous success with about 500 friends and boxing dignitaries overflowing the beautiful Waverly Inn, in Chesire. No finer tribute could be paid to one who has devoted a life time to boxing, and it must have done Dinny's heart good to see so many friends from outside of Connecticut. Many happy returns of the day, Dinny!

For latest developments on coming Heavyweight title bout and the middleweight international classic for world honors

IN SUNNY California

By HARRY WINKLER

BEING one of the fraternity, of which I write, it will sound like "telling your troubles" to report that the boxing situation in California is bad. But the obligation of we RING columnists is to report the boxing of our respective states as it really is, as THE RING has a fine reputation throughout the entire world for doing just that. A book could be written on what is wrong with boxing out here at this time, there being an odor emanating from it similar to that which Hamlet sensed in Denmark.

We are experiencing boycotts of clubs, black-listing of managers, boxers and trainers, cut-throat competition, name calling and intimidation. All this is due to rival manager's organizations, each of whose memberships include some radical characters who gloat over the turmoil being caused, even though it is doing irreparable harm to boxing. And the hollow laugh of it is that each individual who is formenting, or participating in this damaging campaign, claims that he is doing it for the good of the game.

Television contracts and considerations is claimed to be the sole reason for all this dissention. True, the TV question is the bone of contention, but personal animosities, jealousies and longtime hatreds are adding fuel to the situation. And too, a large number of the profession are doing just about as they please these days, as far as their conduct and observance of the rules are concerned. The only group of men who could and should remedy the situation, now existing out here, have—as far as this writer is able to ascertain—done absolutely nothing. And this isn't the way we told the people it would be (back in 1924), if they voted in boxing and a commission were appointed to govern the sport.

However, in spite of boycotts and black-listing, there are as many shows being staged as usual, although most of them are in the Los Angeles area. Only six, of the nineteen fights staged this month were held in the northern part of the state, although there are eight clubs in the northern area. There are several real promising youngsters performing in local rings this year and many of the cards have produced some bang-up action, but not more than six of the nineteen main-events of the month were worthy of the billing, which is the reason for some of these bouts being written up so briefly this month.

The Honolulu Wildcat is back on the Mainland and is again indulging in his favorite indoor sport—knocking ring rivals bowlegged. Yep, Philip Kim is with us again, but he will have to bowl over more formidable foes than Lou Williams—who he KO'd in two rounds at the Hollywood Stadium—if he is to arouse as much interest as was manifested during his first campaign over here. The uneven affair was halted in the second round, after Williams had been floored four times and was in no condition to continue.

The bout would have ended in the first round but for the gong. Kim hit Williams on the jaw with a terriffic right that stretched the Kansas City veteran out like a carpet, but the bell ended the round before he could be counted out. Kim weighed 142, Williams 138.

In supporting bouts: Don Cloud, 137, decisioned Baby Face Mathias, 133, in six rounds, the only prelim to go the distance; Frankie Campos, 116, KO'd Jimmy Quinn, 118, in the third; Andy Escobar, 136, iced Kid Pancho, 139, in the first heat; Dick Lane, 146, disposed of Manny Elam, 143, in three; Sec Gonzales, 121, belted Frank Osuna, 121, out in the first round.

Billy Lanza, 162, billed from Sacramento, outpunched Cliff Schellin, 156, now of Reno, in a rugged ten-rounder, at the Stockton Auditorium. Both landed some hard blows, with Schellin being shaken up the most, particularly in the fourth and sixth rounds. Schellin isn't as formidable as he was a year ago, because of poor health. The former Stockton plumber has been living in Nevada, due to an asthmatic condition and has had little boxing in the past year. Referee Pete Morelli had Lanza winning by two points.

Other results: Howard King, 176, Reno, defeated Bob Wise, 174, Oakland, in six; Augie Villa, 127, Decota, KO'd Morris Levege, 135, Oakland, in the sixth; Billy Bullock, 154, San Francisco, bested Boston Wilson, 152, Oakland, in a four.

Showing too much respect for his better-known opponent, Ramon Tiscareno allowed Freddie Herman to get off to a flying start in their ten-rounder, at the Los Angeles Olympic. Herman decked Tiscareno for a one-count in the opening round and buckled Ramon's knees in the third, to cop the first three heats. Tiscareno got going in the fourth and Freddie played second fiddle the rest of the evening. However, Herman kept the action close until end of the seventh, which ended with the score about even.

Tiscareno won the final three rounds handily with some classy jabbing and a well-timed right cross. Referee Mushy Callahan had Tiscareno, winning by four points. Each weighed 141.

In other bouts: Sammy Saunders, 161, Chicago, decisioned Russ Gillam, 157, in six; Armando Muniz, 141, whipped Henry Johnson, 143, in a four; Don Grant, 169, stopped Jerry Holman, 169, in the fourth round; Auburn Copeland, 130, Flint, Mich., bested Tony Maiorana, 127, in a four; Jose Gallegos, 135, stopped Roy Boyd, 134, in three.

Making his first start in seventeen months, Dave Whitlock, 187, San Francisco, stabbed out a close decision over Benny Wise, 187, Oakland, in a ten rounder at the South Gate Arena. (This Benny Wise is not the Bob Wise, also of Oakland. This is Benny—that is Bob.)

Other results: Richie Lopez, 162, and John Chitman, 162, ended in a technical draw, (5); Don Jordan, 141, decisioned Al Barbera, 143, (4); Boston Wilson, 151, nodded Bobby Taylor, 153, (4); Bob McLane, 157, beat Tony Morales, 158, (4).

Although Art Soto had extended Essau Ferdinand in a 12 rounder just a few weeks before, the clever Oaklander didn't stick around long in a return bout with the state champion, at the Oakland Auditorium. Ferdinand stopping Soto in three rounds. Unlike the bull, Ferdinand didn't stop to pick flowers in this battle. Essau tore into Soto from the start. A smashing right to the chin put Soto down early in the third. Art regained his feet at the count of nine, but was in bad shape and Ferdinand rushed him into the ropes where he pounded him with both hands until Referee Russ Bradford called it quits. Ferdinand weighed 160, Soto 154. The gate grossed $3,500.

In the prelims, Chico Villa, 121, punched Don Badilla, 120, at will, the one-sided setto being halted at the end of the fifth by a good referee—Max Baer; Leonard Gaines, 136, decisioned Carmen Venuto, 138, in six; Boston Wilson, 151, stopped Johnny Salazar, 148, in the fourth round; Danny Figuera, 142, nodded Alvin Moore, 136, in four.

If the authority which Pvt. Gil Cadilli carries in his left hand could be credited to his rank, the classy little Mexican boxer would be a Colonel, no less. Pvt. Cadilli was again on leave in Hollywood long enough to jab out a victory over Chico Rosa, in a ten rounder at the Movie City arena. The contest started slowly, but packed a lot of action before the end. Cadilli outclassed Rosa at long range, but found out something about what war is like when he elected to mix it in close, at the style of fighting that the short-armed Rosa is best at.

Cadilli did the most effective punching, but Rosa tossed the most leather and his late round rallies made a big impression upon the crowd, but not upon the officials, who voted the soldier the unanimous decision, a just verdict, although the contest was close. Cadilli weighed 128, Rosa 127.

In supporting bouts: Manuel Renteria, 133, halted Jimmy Grow, 132, Spokane, in the fourth round; Andy Escobar, 136, KO'd Henry Johnson, 140, in two; Mike Angustain, 170, beat Henry Taylor, 172, in a four; Manny Elam, 143, KO'd Bobby Dye, 141, in the first heat; Manuel Barraza, 136, bested Reuben Salazar, 132, Texas, in four. This latter bout was a thriller which brought forth a shower of coins.

Being tabbed behind at the end of eighth round, Petey Servin, 159, El Paso, put on a rally in the final two heats that got him a split decision over Earl Turner, 157, Richmond, in their clash at the South Gate Arena. Servin spilled Turner for a one count in the ninth and had the veteran hurt in the tenth, to get the votes of two of the three officials.

Other results: Cliff Barnett, 158, KO'd Edgar Jones, 158, in the fourth round; Boston Wilson, 148, halted Peter Gonzales, 153, in the second; Bill Filippo, 168, iced Stan Bryant, 166, in two; Jarrold Williams, 183, and Calvin Chambers, 190, drew in four.

It will take a good man to win over Eddie Chavez—in San Francisco. Chavez was awarded a tenth-round technical win over Armand Savoie, of Montreal, at the San Francisco Winterland arena, in another of those controversial results that Chavez is so often involved in. Chavez received a cut over his right eyebrow from an accidental butt, in the final seconds of the ninth round, and he was not allowed to come out for the final round. Being tabbed ahead on the officials cards, he was declared the winner. (A California rule makes the boxer ahead at time of such an injury—the winner.)

After two tame rounds, the action picked up in the third and it was a fast, exciting go from then on, although most of the fighting was at close quarters. The referee and both judges tabbed Chavez as having the better of most of these exchanges, but a large part of the crowd did not, and many milled about the ring for ten minutes after the decision was rendered, shouting irately at a boxing commissioner and ring officials. Savoie now has something in common with Paddy DeMarco, Juan Padilla and Jimmy Carter, all have gripes over verdicts rendered against them in favor of Chavez.

The weights were reported as Chavez, 138½, Savoie, 135. The gate grossed $6,762.

In the ten-round semi-final, Jimmy Savala, 135, Madera, decisioned Reuben Smith, 127, Los Angeles. In two prelims, Wes Echols, 157, KO'd Gene Campbell, 161, in two; Clarence Block, 165, nodded Bill Collins, 173, in four.

After four years of up-and-down battling in preliminary ranks, Sal Flores of Anaheim, was given top billing, at the Los Angeles Olympic, in a bout with Bobby Lee of Baltimore, at one time a top-notch welterweight. Lee figured to have too much on the ball for the crude Flores, and he did have as long as he could carry the ball, but that was for only three rounds. The legs, y'know. Flores took over in the fourth, and by the end of the seventh Sal had punched all the stuffing out of Bobby with solid blows to the body. Lee was unable to defend himself when the bout was halted and awarded to Flores early in the eighth. Flores weighed 160, Lee 152.

In remaining bouts: Billy Evans, 123, and Tony Maiorana, 124, went six dull rounds to a draw; Rudy Martinez, 132, and Gilberto Muniz, 135, also drew in a four, but their go was action-plus; Don Grant, 167, iced Henry Taylor, 171, in the third; Manny Elam, 142, belted out Tony Forte, 141, in two; Manuel Baraza, 138, disposed of Roy Boyd, 137, in the second.

Making his first start in over a year, Joe Fisher, 137, Denver, proved too experienced for Augie Salazar, 136, Hayward, in a ten rounder at the South Gate Arena. The aggressive Salazar made it an action scrap all the way, but he was in over his head. Fisher counter-punched out margins in eight of the

ten rounds.

Other results: Cliff Barnett, 161, and Richie Lopez, 163, battled six rounds to a draw; Ray Castro, 138, nodded Mel Harris, 136, in four; Jarrold Williams, 185, won over Calvin Chambers, 183, in a four; Bob McLane, 159, defeated James Robinson, 157, in four.

In disposing of Dick Finley in three rounds, Charley Green flashed the ability and punching power he displayed before losing the state title to Ferdinand. It is my opinion that if Esau had been Green's opponent on this night, Charley would have regained the title. Green even started fast in this Hollywood Stadium setto, winning the first round, as well as the second, in which he floored Finley with a right to the jaw. The gong ended the round at count of four. After jabbing Finley with a left for two minutes in the third, Green crossed a solid right to Dick's chin that put him down for the full count. Green weighed 161, Finley 163.

In the prelims: Frank Skidmore, 147, Salinas, decisioned Billy Hartman, 147, San Diego, in a six rounder that could have been called a draw; Bob Sanders, 140, San Francisco, beat Babe Vance, 139, Texas, in a six; Jarrold Williams, 183, nodded Bob Albright, 203, in four; Rainey Mays, 163, won over Curtis Cofield, 159, in a four.

Santiago Esteban, 135, Walsenburg, Colo., punched Marvin Smith, 137, Wichita, out of the picture in the eighth round of their clash at the Sacramento Auditorium. Referee Johnny Bassinelli halted the one-sided setto when Smith was being hammered on the ropes and too spent to fight back. This was Esteban's third win over the Kansas boxer.

Other results: Paul Kaylor, 172, Sacramento, pounded out a decision over Howard King, 175, Reno, in an eight-round semi; Frank Skidmore, 147, Salinas, and Ernie Dickson, 157, Oakland, fought a six-round draw; Billy Lanza, 166, Sacramento, KO'd Wayne Rainey, 164, Modesti, in the first heat. The gate grossed $3,481.

Although the verdict awarding Billy Peacock the win over Oscar Torres in their first meeting was controversial, there was no question as to the better man in the return twelve round go, at the Los Angeles Olympic. The classy little Peacock won from here to Philadelphia. It was not a thrilling fight, for, although Torres tried hard to make a slugging affair of it, Peacock played it smart and stuck to his boxing, which is Grade-A.

Torres kept it close in the early rounds with his aggressiveness and body attack, but, Peacock became more elusive midway in the go, and Oscar fanned the air from then on. Billy repeatedly stabbed Torres with a left which had Oscar bleeding badly from reopened cuts. Peacock, 117, was credited with eight of the rounds, Torres, 118, garnered two, with two heats even.

In remaining bouts: Baby Face Mathis, 135, belted out Gilberto Muniz, 133, in the sixth, after being far behind on points; Zaby Joe Wulcutt, 185, decisioned Fred Taylor, 198, in four; Russ Gillam, 157, stopped Kid Guadalajara, 158, in the second; Armando Muniz, 143, nodded Joe Kezele, 143, in four; Rainey Mays, 160, and Satchel Porter, 153, drew in four.

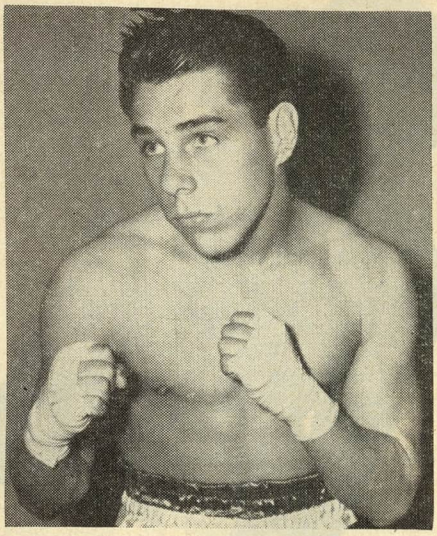
Two wild-swinging lightweights, Tommy Manaois, of Denver, and Manuel Montez, 134, of San Jose, did just that for ten rounds at the Stockton Auditorium. Referee Pete Morelli declared the bout a draw. A crowd of only 700 turned out for this one, but that is quite a lot of relatives for two Filipino boys to have, even in the San Joaquin valley.

In three supporting bouts, Woody Winslow, 153, Merced, won by TKO over Ernie Dickson, 157, Oakland, in the third, due to an eye cut; Leonard Gaines, 139, stopped Carmen Venuto, 138, in the sixth round; Manuel Ramirez, 123, halted Rosie Caballero, 122, in three heats.

For five rounds, the much-improved Willie Vaughn, 159, punched Govan Small, 151, at will, in their ten rounder at the Hollywood Stadium. In the sixth round Vaughn was accidently butted and received a cut over his left eye that bothered him a lot, causing him to put on a retreating fight for the next few rounds, which Small garnered with a slugging attack. Abandoning cautiousness, Vaughn took the offensive in the final round and pasted Small some more, to make his victory secure. The decision to Willie was unanimous.

Other results: Johnny Duke, 162, won handily over Bull Halsey, 164, of Oakland, in the six-round semi; Brian Kelly, 140, Montreal, stopped Rudy Jordan, 141, in the fifth round of a slugfest; Dino Burns, 135, won by TKO (cut eye route) over Raul Valencia, 142, in the third; Curtis Cofield, 160, decisioned Bob McLane, 159, in four.

In recent weeks there have been no less than two cases of out-of-state, main-event fighters being matched against local boys of little experience, in preliminary bouts. The two are Jiggs Kelly, (Brian Kelly of Montreal) and Auburn Copeland of Flint, Mich.



RUDY JORDAN

RUDY JORDAN has the fistic ability to develop into a headliner but, if he shouldn't attain such prominence, the sport will still benefit from his participation. This youth has an ambition and purpose in life that will influence many a youngster. This writer knows from experience that small boys regard the activities of a boxer as something to imitate, whether good or bad. And Rudy's interests have already influenced the many youngsters who know and look up to him.

Jordan has represented three boys' clubs in track, boxing or football. He is already a youth leader and has received the Youth Achievement Award for his service to the All Nation's Boy Clubs programs. And he is now majoring in social welfare at the East Los Angeles Junior College. Jordan was winner in a Golden Gloves tournament in '51 and competed in the Olympic Games trials last year, losing out in the finals, due to an eye cut.

Jordan's professional debut was really the acid test, for, in it Rudy was KO'd in the first round. In most cases such a beginning has ended the victim's career The few who have come back to win their second start, have most always made a name for themselves. Rudy was impressive in this test and went on to chalk up nine straight victories, which included wins over such formidable boxers as Manuel Renteria, Billy Hartman and Manuel Castillo.

Jordan dropped his second fight in his most recent start, but in this one Rudy was definitely overmatched, his conqueror being Brian Kelly, an established main-eventer. The chances are good that the boy will come back a better fighter in his next start, as he is made up of such stuff. Jordan was born in Los Angeles on September 8, 1932. He is under the direction of Louis Javregui, one of the most capable and conscientious trainers in this city.

Of course, it is up to the manager to know of the ability and experience of the opponents his protege is facing, but, since many of them aren't smart enough to find out, the matchmaker—in the name of fair play—or, someone of the Commission, in the interest of the sport, should notifiy the manager whenever his charge is being pitted against someone of much more experience. And, too, everyone in the profession should be interested in seeing that experienced youngsters are matched well in their early bouts.

A good example of the incompetency of a large part of present-day managers is their neglect to purchase a copy of THE RING RECORD BOOK. Old-timer's wouldn't think of being without one. A few moments research in this book might well make the difference in the career of their boxer, so, how can any manager not owning one, claim to be a good mentor?

Baby Moe Macias, 118, Reno, met Tommy Umeda, 120. Need I write more? Surely, any reader of this column should know that Umeda was the loser and that the bout took place at the Los Angeles Olympic. Macias gave Tommy a severe beating, Referee Joe Stone stopping the one-sided affair in the ninth round to save the Japanese warrior from further punishment. Umeda has won but one fight out of his last fourteen starts.

In other bouts: Jose Cotero, 122, whipped George Jacquet, 119, in six; Armando Muniz, 141, beat Mel Harris, 140, in a four; Jack Taylor, 157, nodded Satchel Porter, 151, in four; Freddie O'Brien, 144, and Joe Kezele, 144, drew; Harvey Taylor, 169, and Rainey Mays, 159, also ended in a tie.

Making his first start in a main event, Barry O'Neil, 137, slugged out a close win over Augie Salazar, 138, in a ten-rounder at the South Gate Arena. O'Neil copped early rounds handily, but the aggressive Salazar had Barry slowed down to a walk, with body blows, before it was over.

Other results: Rudy Jordan, 137, beat Mr. Boston, 130, in six; Jarrold Williams, 181, KO'd Clyde Watson, 176, in two; Boston Wilson, 149, decisioned Sugar Burnett, 159, in four; Rosey Caballero, 118, halted Bobby Leal, 115, in the second heat.

The only reason Esau Ferdinand is still wearing the state middleweight crown is because the title was not at stake in the third meeting between he and Charley Green, at the Hollywood Stadium. Green was an improved fighter in this one and his win was decisive. Referee Joe Stone and both judges having Charley winning by five points. It was a bruising go with Green having Esau in trouble no less than three times, and Ferdinand having Charley rubber-legged on one occasion.

The ropes saved Ferdinand from going down in the second, in fact, it looked as though Esau might have been knocked out of the building, except for the ropes, which stopped his whizzing trip from a solid right to the jaw. Expecting Esau to land somewhere, Green retired to a neutral corner, which allowed the dazed Ferdinand to recover sufficiently to defend himself. Green, 161, had the Frisco fighter hurt again in the third and fifth heats. Ferdinand weighed 162.

In the prelims; Manuel Castillo, 145, stopped Babe Vance, 140, Texas, in the fourth; Lou Gage, 147, San Francisco, defeated Billy Hartman, 144, San Diego, in six sizzling rounds; the up-and-coming Andy Escobar, 136, KO'd Eddie Banks, 130, in two; Ray Castro, 137, nodded Joe Gallegos, 135, in four.

There being a little space left, the following items are inserted, for judging by the letters received, the writer believes that some of these notes are welcomed by the reader.

Gov. Earl Warren signed a bill permitting boxing matches to be staged on Armistice Day. There has been a silly law against holding such contests in California on Nov. 11. . . . Lauro Salas, who returned to his home in Monterrey, Mex., is said to be through with boxing. Wanna bet? . . . Charley Salas, now in the Army, is said to be weighing 175 pounds. . . . George Parnassus, one of the smartest managers in the game, is this month, one of the proudest men in the country, and rightly so. Parnassus returned to Los Angeles to see his son, George Jr., ordained as a priest. I can understand a father's great pride in such an instance, for, a youth who studies ten years devoted his life to such a cause, is really one of the unsung heroes. Parnassus is now promoting wrestling (Oh, George, you traitor!) at Sioux City, Iowa. . . . Vince Delgado, one of the best prospects in the state, has been inducted into the Army. Delgado, a nephew of Carlos Chavez, looks and fights like the veteran, who is still going strong after fourteen years of fisticuffing. . . . Tommy Harrison vacates his California lightheavy title, having decided to campaign only in the heavyweight ranks hereafter. . . . Jimmy Murray has offered Rocky Marciano $320,000 to defend title against Ezzard Charles, at San Francisco, in September. . . . Johnny Butterworth, the popular little club-fighter, has returned to England. . . . After weeks of effort, Babe McCoy has given up hopes of signing Kid Gavilan and Art Aragon for a title fight, in Los Angeles, this summer. . . . Juan Luis Campos, one of the most promising youngsters in the state, has become a daddy for the second time. . . . It is painful to read of two Representatives, of Illinois, proposing an investigation of the Marciano-Walcott fight. What's all the shootin' fer? A terrific puncher hits an old man on the chin and he cannot get up in time. And too, Walcott never was a great fighter. . . . Roger Leighton has quit the boxing game and gone to New York to engage in the theatrical business. There wasn't a nicer guy in this beak-busting sport than Leighton. An exceptionally intelligent young man of fine personality. They in New York, who get to know him, will like him, and if given the breaks, he will succeed in any line of endeavor. . . . And all of you who have written me, have patience. I am still far behind in my correspondence, but if your letter contained a self-addressed, stamped envelope—it will be answered. And thanks. Harry E. Winkler, 1231 N. June St., Hollywood 38, Calif.

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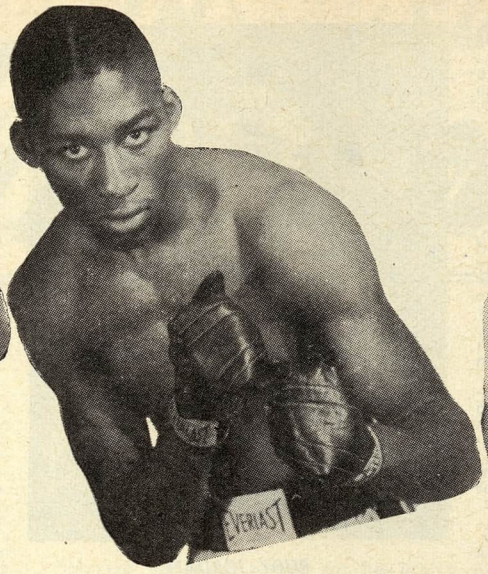

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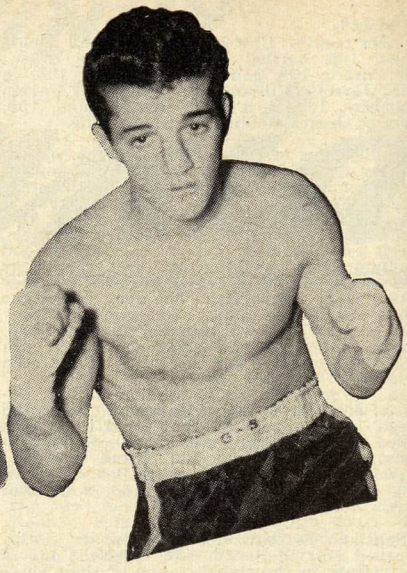

Joey Giambra

New Yorkers Star on TV

By LEWIS ESKIN

THREE New Yorkers who have made themselves a lot of new fans by their fine showings on TV, are middleweights Randy Sandy and Joey Giambra, and the newly-crowned State welterweight King, Carmen Basilio.

While Basilio and Giambra are rated men, Sandy, the former amateur star, has made such rapid strides of late that he is called by boxing men one of the outstanding prospects in the ring today. The Empire State can be proud of this fine trio.

Randy Sandy

BESPECTACLED, scholarly Randolph Sandy looks anything but a fighter outside of the ring, but as his opponents have found out Randy Sandy is all fighter inside.

Randy, one of five children, was born in Brooklyn, April 2, 1931. As a youngster his family moved to Manhattan where Randy became interested in athletics in the P.A.L. Competing for the Home Center team he won the junior 100-yard dash championship of Manhattan, in 1946 and was the captain of the basketball team that won the city title. He continued to play basketball for the P.A.L. the next few years while he was attending Chelsea Vocational High. Randy turned to boxing in 1949 and went to the quarter-finals of the Golden Gloves. He won the Metropolitan 147-pound title that year, and won the same crown the two following years.

In 1951, after he graduated as an electrician (a trade which he still follows outside of the ring), he was offered a basketball scholarship to Morgan State College, but reluctantly turned it down to follow boxing as a profession.

His family tried to discourage his boxing. However a girl friend gave him the encouragement he needed and he went on to become America's top amateur boxer of 1951, as he won the New York, Inter-City, National, and Inter-National Golden Glove welterweight titles. His over-all-amateur record was 66 wins in 70 bouts, 42 by knockouts.

Turning pro in November of 1951, he has won 12 of his 13 fights, scoring knockouts over Gus Rubicini, Harold Drucker and Jimmy Beau, something that Bobo Olson couldn't do. Sandy has outpointed Tuzo Portuguez, Al Wilson, Bobby Rosado, Henry Jordan, and Calvin Davis. His only loss was to Willie Troy, whom he wants to fight again. A fast boxer, with a kayo punch, he moves in and out with precision and speed, possessing the ring poise of a veteran.

A clean-cut youngster who helps support his family, he still claims basketball as his first love, and attends all the games he can.

Sandy is managed by Hymie Wallman and Pop Ryan and is trained by Sid Martin.

Joey Giambra

AFTER watching classy Joey Giambra win a one-side decision over Danny Womber, former double-champion, Sugar Ray Robinson said of him, "There is the next middleweight champion." Joey is a good looking, curly-haired, 21-year-old Italian-American lad who has the ability to make Sugar Ray a true prophet.

One of nine children, Joey had three brothers who boxed as amateurs, but they did not follow the trade as professionals. Joey took to going to the gyms and watching them train and while still a student at Hutchinson High School, he started boxing as a skinny 126-pounder. During his undefeated simon-pure career he won the featherweight and lightweight amateur championships of his home town, Buffalo.

Giambra's first start in the money ranks was on June 28, 1949, in Ft. Erie, Canada, which he won by a two-round knockout. He boxed a draw with Jesse Bradshaw in his next start, then scored fifteen straight wins before dropping a close decision to the cagey veteran Johnny Cesario. Since then he has won sixteen of seventeen, splitting two decisions with Giardello and scoring over Bernie Docusen, Otis Graham, Hurley Sanders, Tony Amato, Billy Whye, Charley Early, Sal DiMartino and Danny Womber, twice. Womber is the boy who recently defeated Kid Gavilan.

Joey is a clever boxer, who will change his style to best counter his opponents. His potent sock in either hand has accounted for nineteen knockouts. He has a large following and has brought boxing back to the Bison City for the first time since it's hey-day of the twenties, when Frankie Schoell, Jimmy Slattery, Lou Scozza, George Nichols and Rocky Kansas were the idols of Lake Erie city.

He is managed by Tex Sullivan and Mike Scanlon.

Carmen Basilio

IN THE hope of stimulating interest in boxing in the state, Commissioner Robert Christenberry, of New York, has revived the state titles. The first one to be contested for was the welterweight. After a great battle, before the largest crowd to watch a fight in upstate New York, Carmen Basilio, of Syracuse, fought his way to a unanimous 12-round decision over Billy Graham, of New York City, in a big upset.

Basilio, the most improved man in the 147-pound class, scored his seventh straight win in defeating Graham, who was the last one to beat him, last August. Carmen who was born April 2,

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that hasn't had capacity gatherings and though the pickings aren't soft, due to the calibre of the fighters from the Far East, sturdy, courageous lads who fight from the drop of the hat, the financial returns are excellent. In defeating Henry Bray, Fiji Islands heavyweight king, Brown injured his hand and will be out of action for some time.

INCIDENTALLY, Wally Beckett, the 21-year-old middleweight who hails from Carshalton, is one of a family of 13 children. He told me that he got married on Friday, February 13, of this year, just to prove that he is not superstitious. Many of Great Britain's young fighters come from exceedingly large families. They've gone into the boxing game because it offers the best chances, they say, for quick advancement and a good living in these days of tough going.

We have many such in the States but I doubt if we can equal the large number to be found in the British Isles and in France. Both nations have probably twice the number of amateur boxers we can boast and annually many of these, far more than in the States, turn professional.

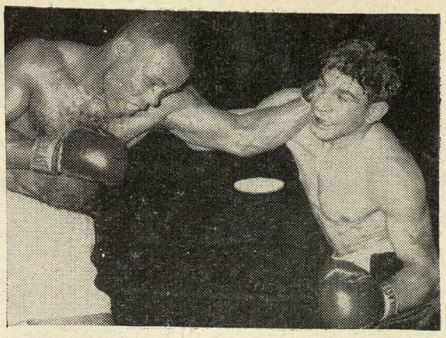
In our country the earnings for a novice pro are small compared to what a lad in his teens can earn as a worker in any other field, and that's why America is so short of new boxing talent compared to what is to be found in all parts of the European continent and in Great Britain. He goes to work at a trade other than boxing, unlike early post-war days, America no longer can hold its banner as high in the amateur field as can our brethren from overseas.

I WAS most interested in a statement made by The Pope when he gave an audience to Referee William Evans and his linesmen and the Italian soccer team, during which he sketched lines of conduct for sports gatherings. His words, following the commotion in the Chicago ring which received more attention in the European papers than did the knockout of Jersey Joe Walcott by Rocky Marciano, received considerable comment. One paper even wrote an editorial on it, calling attention to the disgraceful scenes in Boston at the Collins-Carter fight, that at Chicago where the police had to intercede to restore order following Walcott's knockout and that recently on the Continent in an international soccer match and said:

"The Pope's advice should be kept where sporting fans can from time to time read it, digest it and act accordingly. Here are His words of wisdom:

"Christian moderation requires that incitement to win be noble, that conflict with opponents be indulgent, tolerant and never such as to drive violence. The very tone of voice which rises powerfully from the stadium when competition takes place, should echo in a different way from the wild howl of a pagan stadium. Sports for sports sake should be the aim of contestants and spectators.'"

Words well spoken.



Middleweights, Ralph (Tiger) Jones and Rocky Tomasello, trade punches during their ten-round bout at Ridgewood Grove, Brooklyn. Jones won.

TOMMY FARR has finally seen the light. He has turned from the ring to writing. "I have quit boxing. I have made up my mind that nobody can lick Father Time," said Farr, the man who gave Joe Louis one of the toughest battles in the Brown Bomber's first defense of his world heavyweight title. "I'm over forty and it's asking too much for the human frame to go on tossing leather.

"Big time boxing is for youngsters and henceforth I shall let the youngsters carry on in the true tradition of the British ring. I've had my fill and from now on I shall give advice to others through a weekly column in the *Sunday Pictorial* instead of taking advice from my corner."

Tommy has made a fine decision. A fighter who has passed his prime should know when to quit. Unfortunately Tommy, like Joe Louis and other famous ring men, including Jack Dempsey, called a halt when the proper time arrived, then the fighting blood stirred up as they watched others attempt to reach the heights and they tried a comeback. But the old adage, "they never come back," still holds good and if Bruce Woodcock, who after a long layoff and injured eyes, will see the light, he, like Tommy Farr, will call off his application for reinstatement as a fighter and rest on his laurels.

In the long run, continued ring service when one has reached the end of his rope as a top fighter, means an invitation to a life of ruination. When the fighting days are over, one should hang up his gloves for good.

FRANCE has very little to offer in top talent other than Robert Cohen, its best featherweight and a fine attraction. He would do well in the States against American lads.

An Alsatian lad, Rene Weissman, who drew with Andre Valignat in a ten rounder I saw at the Salle Wagram in Paris, is another lad worth watching. He is a good, sharp hitter and an aggressive fighter, much on the style of the American boys. He's a featherweight.

Ray Famechon, French feather king, expects to get back into action but he no longer stands out as a top challenger for world honors. But his popularity, despite his knockout at the hands of Percy Bassett, hasn't suffered any and the French are eager to see him in a return bout with the American.

There are no substitutes right now in France for the likes of Marcel Cerdan, Laurent Dauthuille, or Robert Villemain. The only outstanding fighter France has other than Cohen is Pierre Langlois and almost all of his fighting has been done in the States.

FIGHTERS, we feel, are entitled to a fair amount of money from shows which are televised. What constitutes a fair share becomes a problem but we have seen that the I.B.C. and the International Guild have agreed on a stipend of $4,000 for any shows run by the former organization.

The situation becomes a grave one only when managers force promoters into paying far more than they can afford, which in the end forces sponsors to forsake boxing and look elsewhere. That could easily happen and bring about the shut-down of even more of our large arenas.

And what of the smaller clubs, a number of which are kept alive through revenue from television? Obviously they cannot afford to pay on the same scale with the big promotors of boxing and will eventually be in an untenable position, withdrawing their locals clubs—the lifeblood of the game—from activity in the boxing field.

A certain amount of give-and-take must be considered on all sides for the good of boxing—the managers cannot insist on taking all and the promoters cannot be asked to give all.

THE latest move of the New York State Athletic Commission in its efforts to reduce physical injuries in the ring is the approval of a new boxing glove which is expected to help eliminate the danger of "thumbing" during a bout. Many a fighter's vision has been impaired by the thumb of an opponent's glove jabbing into his eye. There have been notable cases of boxers eventually going blind because of such incidents. In the glove just approved by the Commission, the thumb will not protrude as it does in the mitt that has been used for so many years. It will be closely fitted to the rest of the glove. Dr. Clilan B. Powell, a member of the board is having specifications drawn up and it won't be long before manufacturers of ring equipment for fights in New York will be ordered to make all gloves in accordance with the new design.

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EUROPEAN GOSSIP by Charlie Parish

SEVERAL interesting shows took place during May, particularly the Marseilles affair in which Robert Cohen was nearly tipped out of the lead by the aggressive Italian bantam, Gaetano Annaloro. Joergen Johansen surprised by retaining his European lightweight crown against Prigent, whilst Gerhard Hecht repulsed Hans Stretz, via the kayo route, after a tremendous fight. Mitri was again impressive and two other Italians made their presence felt, Giovanni Alfonsetti, who stopped Guenter Sladky, and Festucci, who halted Albanese. Sys, Neuhaus, Lavoine, Valignat and Chemama all saw action, and in Britain, Wim Snoek upset cagey Albert Finch. Pierre Langlois copped his first defeat in the States at the hands of Joe Rindone.

Milan, Italy.—The Principe Theatre was the scene of Carlo Mola's first comeback fight, a middleweight affair, against the blond Austrian youngster, Alfons Kubes. Mola won the eight rounds after an interesting bout.

At Forli.—Widmer Milandri returned to action with a points win over the tough veteran, Gino Rossi, in a middles eight, whilst Duilio Bianchini drew Franco Rizzotti in a welter eight. In Rome, promising Alfredo Paolini was decisioned by Marino Bisson in a good middles six.

Paris.—Bruno Marostegan was rather unlucky only to get a draw with Emmanuel (Titi) Clavel in a modest welter ten at the Salle Wagram. On the same bill, Garbis Zakaryan, the Turkish welter king, made a good debut by easily whipping Robert Astoin in eight, whilst Germinal Ballarin at last let fly with his redoubtable right and forced Tino Pierluigi to retire in the third of a middles slam.

Antwerp, Belgium.—Pierre Cossemyns, the likely young bantam champion had some trouble in defending his laurels against Alex Bollaert here and came off with a draw after twelve hotly disputed rounds.

St. Brieuc, France.—Francis Coeuret, the local cruiser hope, was upset by the Parisian Simon Ayankin, who held the blond Breton to a draw after eight hard rounds. Louis Perrigault decisioned Marcel Gonzales, in a welter eight.

At Rheims.—The lightweight left-hook artist, Jacques Herbillon, rocketed through with a knockout of the very rugged Bouadjemi Mokhfi. The latter had never before been laid cold, but a tremendous right from Herbillon whammed Mokhfi clean through the ropes in the fifth round.

Idrissa Dione outscored Eduard Lewko, at Nevers, in a good welter ten, and Cosimo Pezzuto trimmed Georges Lafage in a flyweight eight. Claude Lapourielle debuted as a pro by stopping Jacques Boitel in the fourth session of their welter clash at Clichy.

Paris.—At the Central Club, Michel Aubignat got the better of tough Gino Menozzi in a whirling middles eight, and André Meraint distanced Salvator Vangi in a feathers six.

Copenhagen, Denmark.—Joergen Johansen upset all the critics (including your humble) by bravely defending his European lightweight crown against the French leader, Jacques Prigent, in a fairly good battle which went the full fifteen rounds. Johansen was in better form than of late. Prigent was below his usual standard—he took the fight at four days notice after Frank Johnson was injured in training. The Frenchman did not unwind until about the sixth frame and he managed to scrape a slight lead in the following rounds. From the tenth frame it was nearly all Johansen, who was finally acclaimed winner amongst great jubilation. Allan Tanner upset the German lightweight king, Werner Handtke by getting a narrow decision after ten rounds, and Martin Hansen bested Kit Pompey, British Guiana middleweight, in eight. Henning Jensen outclassed Sulo Seitola, of Finland, in a bantam six.

Milan, Italy.—At the Principe Theatre, Franco Antonini was surprisingly held to a draw by Felice Gallo, in a lightweight eight, and in another lightie combat, Giovanni Paini nodded Calcaterra in eight.

Geneva, Switzerland.—Italy's lightweight king, Duilio Loi, copped the verdict over Jean Labalette of France, in ten.

Amsterdam, Holland.—Willy Schagen was credited with an unpopular victory here over the clever Don Ellis, after a fast lightheavy ten, and in a second bout at this weight, Wim Snoek came through with an impressive knockout of the German, Winnfried Henne, in the fifth frame. Henk Klok nipped around the ageing Walter Limbach to win an easy lightweight eight.

Paris.—Constant Alcantara found the "Open sesame" to his old kayo habit when he battered Loris Venturini into retiring in the seventh stanza of a middles affair. Serge Gassama nodded Belouet in a welter six.

At Beausoleil.—Veteran Omar Kouidri was given a nasty handling by the Italian, Bruno Tripodi and forced to retire in the ninth round. In a second middles slam, Dante Madella, also of Italy, was awarded the vote over Ouerdani, after eight rounds.

Paris.—At the Salle Wagram, Sergio Milan, the promising Italian feather, was held to a draw by the robust punching of André Valignat, blond local bantam, who gave several pounds away. René Weissmann outfought Simon Girardot in a lively welter eight and in a middles eight, Jules Bouquet and Henri Entringer shared the honors.

At Annemasse.—Armand Coullebault scored an eight-round win over the slow-starting Spanish middle, Manuel Quintana.

Munchen-Gladbach, Germany.—Wilson Kohlbrecher had an unexpectedly easy win here when his opponent, Robert Warmbrunn, retired in the second round with a broken finger. Heinz Sachs stopped gallant Rudi Oremek in the fourth of a cruiser clash, which saw Oremek visit the canvas six times. Willi Lauter nodded Willy Wilkins in a lightweight six and Helmut Werfel iced Fronda in the fourth of a welter slam. Mathias Luyten beat Horst Kemena in a middles six.

Hagen, Germany.—Some second-string German lightheavies suffered unexpected reverses against some modest Frenchmen. Thus Winnfried Henne could only get a draw in a ten-rounder with Jacques Lebegue and Bruno Junkuhn had to share the verdict with Yves Calamari in eight. Don Ellis, clever U. S. cruiser, did well to outscore the heavier Otto Bastian, in a heavyweight ten. Gert Mueller hammered the French lightie, Marcel Merle, to a points defeat over eight rounds and Emil Koch halted Guenter Chomuntowski in the fifth of a welter clash.

Linz, Austria.—The Blond Belter from Klagenfurt, Karl Ameisbichler, gained yet another quick victory, when he laid the promising German, Theo Baumjohann, among the daisies in the second frame with a brief right-hander.

Barcelona, Spain.—Once more the Spanish bantam crown changed hands when Mariano Mendes gained a hometown decision over the Valencian, Francisco Romaguera, after twelve even rounds. Jesus Aguerri obliged Jaime Serrano to chuck it in during the sixth stanza of their feathers maul, and Salcedo defeated Jose Gonzales in a flyweight six.

Rendsburg, Germany.—Otto Domke stopped Bruno Walkowiak in the fourth round of a lightie bout, and at the same weight, Ernst Kohlsaat drew with Heinz Ruemke in eight. Otto Hentrich stiffened Heinz Schulz in the second session of a cruiser battle and Amandus Spitzkopf trimmed Willi Sippmann in a middles six. The Persian lightweight, Sepanlon, whipped Wolfgang Bohnert in a four.

Biarritz, France.—André Drille won by a sixth round kayo over the Spanish middle, Ramon Martin. At the Montmartre Club in Paris, Stan Sobolak scored over Salah Ouchecha in a good bantam eight, whilst at the Stadium, Sauveur Chiocca got the better of Rene Bolivia in a lightweight ten. At Tours, Michel Lapourielle won over Roland Guille in a cruiser ten and Gilbert Ussin, tough Parisian welter, chilled El Djouer in the seventh.

Marcel Auclair decisioned Jesus Rubio in a bantam ten at Roanne, and at Verdun, Colussa beat Collin in a lightweight eight, whilst Buratti stopped Leon Roller. Luxembourg's welter king, in two. At Granville, Serge Barthelemy continued the good work by outboxing Gilbert Stock in a middles ten and Mario Ursini nodded Antonio Lopez in a welter eight.

CONTINENTAL RATINGS by Charlie Parish

(Month Ending June 15, 1953)

HEAVIES	CRUISERS	MIDDLES	WELTERS
1. Heinz Neuhaus (G)	Gerhard Hecht (G)	Charles Humez (F)	Gilbert Lavoine (F)
2. Karel Sys (B)	Willi Hoepner (G)	Hans Stretz (G)	Chris Christensen (D)
3. Hein ten Hoff (G)	Renato Tontini (I)	Pierre Langlois (F)	Livio Minelli (I)
4. Kurt Schiegl (A)	Jacq. Hairabedian (F)	Gustav Scholz (G)	Kid Dussart (B)
5. Guenter Nuernberg (G)	Wim Snoek (H)	Claude Milazzo (F)	Luigi Valentini (I)
6. Werner Wiegand (G)	Karl Ameisbichler (A)	Mickey Laurent (F)	Raphael Da Sylva (P)
7. Wil. Kohlbrecher (G)	Marcel Limage (B)	Tiberio Mitri (I)	Idrissa Dione (F)
8. Hugo Salfeld (G)	Charles Colin (F)	Antonio Soldevilla (S)	Robert Guivarch (F)
9. Stef Olek (F)	Giovanni Alfonsetti (I)	Franz Szuzina (G)	Luigi Male (I)
10. Uber Bacilieri (I)	Julio Neves (P)	Franco Festucci (I)	Emmanuel Clavel (F)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERS	BANTAMS	FLYWEIGHTS
Werner Handtke (G)	Ray Famechon (F)	Robert Cohen (F)	Louis Skena (F)
Joergen Johansen (D)	Jean Sneyers (B)	Maurice Sandeyron (F)	Young Martin (S)
Jacques Prigent (F)	Ray Grassi (F)	Gianni Zuddas (I)	Charlie Bohbot (FM)
Hoacine Khalfi (F)	Luis Romero (S)	Emile Chemama (F)	Nazz. Gianelli (I)
Duilio Loi (I)	Manolo Garcia (S)	Andre Valignat (F)	Ot. Belardinelli (I)
Auguste Caulet (F)	Jacques Bataille (F)	Gaetan Annaloro (I)	Robert Mouginot (F)
Augustin Argote (S)	Alvaro Nuvoloni (I)	Dante Bini (F)	Piero Rollo (I)
Jacques Herbillon (F)	Artidoro Polidori (I)	Pierre Cossemyns (B)	Emile Delpanque (B)
Joseph Preys (B)	Jose Galiana (S)	Amleto Falcinelli (I)	Antonio Diaz (S)
Mario Ciccarelli (I)	Rudi Langer (G)	Heintje van der Zee (H)	Pierre Andre (B)

LEGEND—(A) Austria; (B) Belgium; (D) Denmark; (F) France; (FM) French-Morocco; (Fn) Finland; (G) Germany; (H) Holland; (I) Italy; (L) Luxemburg; (P) Portuguese; (S) Spain; (T) Tunis.

Saint Lo, France.—Marcel Tirel marched to a new triumph when he out-thumped the oft-defeated but game Spanish middle, Kid Gameiro, over ten rounds. At Tergnier, Ray Dumoutier stopped Gerard Laurent in the seventh stanza of a lightweight slam.

Lisbon, Portugal.—Raphael Da Sylva again came out on top over a French foe when he humbled Roland Guilbert in a fast welter ten here. Julio Neres iced the French cruiser, Oscar Menozzi, in five and Belarmino Fragoso nodded blond Yres Husson of France in a feathers eight.

Montichiaro, Italy.—Guido Belotti won a bantamweight tangle with Giuseppe Arghenini, which went the full eight rounds. In Milan, Carlo Mola was again on view, winning this time over Dante Madella in a one-sided middles shindy, whilst Vernaglione got the better of Rovinelli in a welter six.

Paris.—At the Central Club, Paolo Melis celebrated his pending departure for America by decisioning the very rugged Gilbert Ussin in a hard welter struggle over ten rounds. Bernard Adam stopped Julien Rabaini in the third of another welter argument. Sarkissian trimmed Jean Padovani in a lightie six.

Paris.—Idrissa Dione topped the bill at the Salle Wagram, where he narrowly came thru with the decision over expert Brun Marostegan, but gained the plaudits of the crowd after a brilliant welter ten. In the quarter-finals of a lightheavy competition, Simon Ayankin beat blond Robert Masson, Jack Navarre checked Roland Collet in the fifth, Marc Guedj edged the athletic Eugene D'Alessio and Marcel Collot upset Simon Kalla. All these fights were scheduled for six rounds.

St. Omer, France.—Promising Roger Facqueur was disqualified for a low punch in the third round of his winning fight with Louis Atta, who was defending his Flanders welter crown. Regis Facqueur trimmed Fayelle in a welter six.

Munich, Germany.—Heinz Neuhaus was not too convincing in his fight with foxy Al Hoosman, the lanky American, who was once Joe Louis' sparmate. Neuhaus made all the action and dropped his opponent twice but could never get set for a finisher. In another heavyweight slam, Hugo Salfeld was declared winner over Italy's Franco Cavicchi in the fourth session, after the visitor was ruled out for lack of combativeness. Giovanni Alfonsetti pulled the Italian banner out of the mire by blitzing highly-touted Guenter Sladky, who retired in the third round of their cruiser battle, after paying several trips below; Enrico Macale was also impressive in a fast feathers dustup with Hans Schoemig and earned more than the draw verdict after eight rounds. Emil Zangl retired at the end of the third heat of his cruiser clash with Gerhard Wenzel.

Rheims, France.—Blond Jacques Herbillon whammed over another victim when he stretched out Jean Archambault in the third round of their lightweight bout. At Laon, Gilbert Lavoine fairly shattered an unfortunate Spanish welter named Aurelio Diaz in nine rounds, after dropping his game foe eleven times. Joseph Jenssens, likely Belgian lightie, won a methodical victory over Francis Bonnardel, in ten, and Leandre Mateos handed a lesson in boxing to Stan Pasek to grab the decision after eight rounds, welters.

Vienna, Austria.—The local summer season opened with Kurt Schiegl once more topping the bill, after a temporary retirement, against the tall Luxembourg heavy, Werner Wiegand. Both men were in rather poor condition and finally the honors went to Schiegl after a rather even melee. Ziyaris Taki, Turkish lightweight, won over Karl Machart in eight, Willi Swoboda knocked out the Italian feather, Pietro Scardino, in three and Mario Falescky, Rumanian middle resident in Italy, drew with Alex Stortetzky in six.

Berlin.—A crowd of 10,000 turned up to the Sports Palace to watch Gerhard Hecht defend his cruiser title against the middles king, Hans Stretz. The fight was one of those needle affairs which did not disappoint the spectators; it was a terrific duel between two ambitious and determined gladiators. First one, then the other, visited the canvas, and in the ninth round it seemed that Stretz would win, as he dropped Hecht three times. The lean Berliner came back in the tenth, however, and dropped Stretz twice, and the second knockdown was the last of the fight. Hecht won by a kayo in the tenth frame. Guenter Nuernberg decisioned Herbert Wiese in a close heavyweight eight; three excellent cruiser contests saw Willi Hoepner further rehabilitate himself by knocking out Willy Schagen of Holland in the fifth, Willi Besmanhoff drew with Hans Strelecki in eight and Toni Gruber halted Nico Kramer of Holland in the third.

Rene Weissman, promising young French welterweight, who packs a knockout punch, has scored three quick kayoes this year.

Bruges, Belgium.—Karel Sys was feted by 5,000 fans here when he knocked out the tough Canadian heavy, Steve McCall, in the eighth round after dominating the entire contest. André De Keersgieter likewise made short work of the French lightheavy, Jacques Lebegue, who threw in the towel in the third round.

Marseilles, France.—Gianni Zuddas suffered a cruel stroke of luck when he was ordered to retire with a badly cut eye, in the sixth round of his winning fight with Emile Chemama, local bantam star. Ernesto Formenti looked better in whipping Louis Carrara in a fairly good lightweight ten, whilst Hilaire Pratesi knocked out Jacques Bihi, in the third of a bantam duel.

Somain, France.—Two Flanders titles were on the line here, when Ildefonse Warusfeld became the new cruiser king by beating the holder, Henri Chebaut, in ten rounds. André Vercoutter won the middles crown on a disqualification, as Stanislas Laskowski used his head to butt open Vercoutter's eyebrow in the third round.

Rome, Italy.—Dal Piaz, former amateur middles star, won a mediocre affair against Loreto Vari, in eight rounds.

Paris.—At the Central, Sauveur Chiocca was lucky to get the decision over rugged Frank Hermal, who constantly forced the issue in their lightweight ten. Robert Guivarch made his first appearance since winning the French welter title when he stopped the tough Belgian, Kid Eugene, in the fifth round at Evreu. At Macon, Henri Authier surprised by beating crafty Roger Bruneau in a lightweight ten here. At St. Brieuc, the Parisian lightie, Ray Falkner, outscored the local hope, Yves Le Borgne, in ten.

Milan, Italy.—A big show, put on at the Vigorelli Stadium, was crowned by several sensational performances. Lucien Meraint succeeded in repeating his previous kayo of the Italian feather star, Alvaro Cerasani, this time applying the dose in the seventh stanza, whilst Mario Ciccarelli halted Sylvio Roteglia in the third of a lightweight set-to. Two excellent middleweight duels saw Tiberio Mitri stow away Said Khelfa in the sixth round and Franco Festucci triumph over the Italo-Tunisian, Tino Albanese, in the tenth round after having the latter on the deck seven times. Sergio Caprari whipped Schettino in a feathers six.

Menton, France.—Bruno Tripodi added another scalp to his belt when he outscored Tino Pierluigi in a good middles ten, and Maurice Garcia drew with Letterio Petilli in a bantam eight. At Chambery, Jacques Colomb upset Theo Medina by forcing the Old Gypsy to retire in the eighth round, of their bantam clash. Dante Bini was held to a draw by Robert Garcia in another good bantam affair which took place at Oran, in Algeria. On the same bill, Boudjema Ramdane captured the North African feathers title by beating the holder, Marc Cuneo in ten.

Toulon, France.—Ray Grassi handed quite a belting to the game Italian feather, Dante Venturi, and repeated a previous decision by winning handily over ten rounds. Valere Benedetto forced Mario Faverzani, Italian welter, to retire in the seventh and in a flyweight match, Hilaire Gaviano nodded Franco Lombardozzi, over eight rounds. At the Montmartre Club in Paris, Sergio Milan was impressive in punching out a win over the Corsican lightie, Robert Di Mayo.

St. Lo, France.—Marcel Tirel, the latest Norman middles star, achieved his best result to date when he obliged Michel Aubignat to retire in the ninth round of a hard fight. At the Paris Central, Jean Ruellet drew with rugged Stan Pasek in a welter ten, and Pierre Chalono surprised by drubbing Umberto Paccagnella in a middles six.

Paris.—Mohamed Chickaoui partly redeemed his poor showing against Roy Ankarah by stopping the noted Pierre Carrar in the ninth round of a furious feathers duel at the Salle Wagram. In the semi-finals of the cruiser tourney, Simon Ayankin knocked out Marcel Collot in the fifth frame and the North African Marc Guedj, was too experienced for big Jack Navarre, who lost after eight rounds. Claude Lapourielle drew with Sekou Gassama, in a welter six.

San Sebastian, Spain.—Ramon Martinez regained his winning stride by outscoring the North African middle, Roland Romano, over ten rounds.

Paris.—At the Montmartre, Marcel Merle won a good lightweight eight from Roland Mounier and at the Stadium, Edmond Moletto bested Jesus Rubio in a bantam ten and Jean Julien stopped Bernard Adam in the sixth of a welter scuffle.

Nevers, France.—Idrissa Dione stopped Serge Van Zandt in the third heat of a one-sided welter argument and Cossimo Pezzito, Italian flyweight, nodded El Bilhia, in eight. At Nice, Jacques Strocchio captured the Province lightheavy title from the holder, Alex Ceremonia, knocking out his foe in the twelfth round.

Marseilles, France.—Robert Cohen suffered a rude shock when he took on Gaetano Annaloro for the second time. In a previous battle Cohen had won fairly comfortably but on this occasion he needed all his speed and powers of recuperation to last the limit. The verdict of a draw was hotly contested by the crowd and everything points to a rubber match being organized. André Valignat got the better of Emile Chemama but once more a drawn verdict was given in this second bantam ten. Hilaire Pratesi whipped Salah Ouchecha in a bantam eight and Mohamed Ammi forced Roger Gade to retire in the seventh heat of a welter slam.

Scheveningen, Holland.—A fight of great local interest was put on here by Nico Schoenmaker and Frits van Kempen, with the former's Dutch welter crown at stake. After forcing the pace for the first half of the bout, van Kempen began to lose his control and was almost kayoed in the eleventh. Saved by the bell, the challenger was utterly on the defensive thereafter and the verdict went to Schoenmaker. Heintje van der Zee outscored André Piens, of Belgium, in a good bantam eight.

RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY

By Selsso Tiborro

MAY'S highlights were the retirement of Edel Ojeda, national bantamweight champion, who is a mechanical engineering student to graduate soon, and Baby Ortiz' becoming the new national featherweight king by stopping Memo Valero. Results of the month follow:

Edel Ojeda, national bantamweight champnion, boxing cleverly, outpointed Luis Castillo, 116, in twelve rounds for the title. This was Ojeda's last match according to his statement before the event. Beto Couary, 118, outpointed Baby Rivera, 116, in ten.

Baby Vazquez, 132, stopped Hernan Gonzales, 138, in five. Enrique Gomez, 136, decisioned Aurelio Cruz, 134, in ten.

Raton Macias, 120, decisioned Trini Ruiz, 120, in ten. Roberto Razo, 120, stopped Pedro Garcia, 119, in eight.

Beto Couary, 118, decisioned Manuel Armenteros, 116, in ten. Aristeo Serrano, 119, defeated Aurelio Rivero, 119, by a disqualification, in five.

Jose Arguelles, 135, stopped Jesse de Hoyos, 135, in seven. Jose Galicia, 133, outpointed Jose Tellez, 135, in ten.

Baby Ortiz, 126, stopped Memo Valero, 124, in the eighth of a scheduled twelve-round match for the national featherweight title, which was in Valero's hands. Gorilon Ortiz, 136, decisioned Enrique Gomez, 136, in ten.

Rudy de Hoyos, 136, decisioned Aurelio Cruz, 136, in ten. Panchito Silva, 113, decisioned Chabelo Ortega, 112, in ten.

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NEWS OF BRITISH ISLES

By JOHNNY SHARPE

CARDIFF.—Eddie Thomas, former welterweight champion of Great Britain, made a welcome appearance in the ring after a prolonged absence through a cartilage injury to his knee. . . . He will now battle amongst the middleweights, and on his showing against George Roe (Wolverhampton) whom he outpointed over eight rounds, he showed form that will soon put him amongst the leaders of that division.

Ken Rowlands (Mardy), 165, won the cruiserweight championship of Wales when he stopped Nick Fisher (Nantymoel), 173, in the seventh round. . . . Ray Smith (Swansea), 141¼, carried too many guns for Gordon Greenaway (Merthyr), 141¾, for the latter was on the deck from body punches within a minute of the first gong, and it was no surprise, when the referee intervened in Smith's favour. . . . Dai Dower (Abercynon), 112¾, stopped Pete Hallberg (Hull), 110, in the third round. . . . Malcomb Innocent (Cardiff), 147½, outpointed Peter Scott (Tredegar), 148½, over six rounds.

LIVERPOOL.—Joe Bygraves (Birkenhead), 188, made it five out of five wins in the professional ranks when he clearly outpointed Wally Curtis (Swindon), 179½, over eight rounds. . . . Eric Billington (Golborne), 144, reversed a previous defeat when he outscored Tim McLeary (Wrexham), 144, over eight rounds. . . . Tommy Mason (Liverpool), 134, gained a points win over Jackie Dyer (Bolton), 134, over six rounds.

DONCASTER.—Irvin Newton (Moorends), 130¼, gained a KO victory over Joe King (Belfast), 128, in the first round. . . . Glyn Evans (Askern), 127, was too clever for the aggressive Bernie Fairbanks (Hanley), 128¼, and won on points at the end of eight rounds. . . . Colin Staples (Doncaster), 132¾, a promising youngster, scored his second professional win at the expense of Jackie Raines (York), 131¾, over six rounds. . . . Colin Harrison (Rotherham), 134¾, outpointed Jeff Walters (Scarborough), 134¼, over six rounds.

SUNDERLAND.—Terry McDonald (Cudworth), 201, made a return to winning form when he stopped Les Johnson (Jamaica), 182, in the fourth of a scheduled eight rounder. . . . Bob Hodgson (Seaham), 130½, outscored Cris Howson (Lancaster), 134¾, over six gruelling rounds. Billy Gibson (Fishburn), 120¼, outpointed Tony Kay (Leeds), 120, over six rounds. Eric Ludlam (Sheffield), 172, outpointed Harry Tunney (Gateshead), 185, over four rounds, while Charlie Gray (Sunderland), 128¾, stopped Tommy Duffy (Leeds), 124¾, in the second.

BELFAST.—Gerry Hassett (Belfast), 138½, outpointed Ronnie Wormall (Birmingham), 133½, over eight rounds, the decision in the local lad's favour meeting with disapproval from the crowd. Norman Wormall (Birmingham), 128, stopped Al Sharpe (Belfast), 135½, in the sixth, the latter suffering a badly gashed eyebrow. Eric Metcalfe (Norwich), 170, stopped Bob Gillespie (Belfast), 168½, in the second. Gerry O'Niell (Belfast), 139¾, and Charlie Harkin (Derry), 141¾, drew over six. Jim Townsley (Belfast), 155½, knocked out Jon Brady (Belfast), 149¾, in the second.

WATFORD.—Cyril Evans (Welwyn), 133, stopped Alan Buxton (Watford), 134½, in the fifth when the latter received a damaged eyebrow. Denny Taylor (High Wycombe), 154, stopped Morley Nightingale (Wicken), 156½, in the sixth. Leo Maloney (Hillingdon), 151½, outpointed Johnny Pipe (Beccles), 142½, over six. George Connors (Finsbury Park), 119, outpointed Jim Frew (Abbotts Langley), 120, over six. Kevin Duffy (Hillingdon), 140, stopped Maurice Murfitt (Little Downham), 135½, in the third.

DUNDALK.—Eddie (Bunty) Doran (Belfast), 117½, stopped Terry McHale (Liverpool) 118½, in the fourth. Des Lennon (Banbridge), 137½, knocked out Billy Donnelly (Belfast), 134, in the second. Michael Feeney (Banbridge), 128, knocked out Jack Dornan (Clare), 132, in the second. Cliff Garvey (Dundalk) won an eight-rounds middle weight bout over Sonny Quinn (Buncrana) on points.

LIVERPOOL STADIUM.—Alby Tissong (South Africa), 130, gained a clear points win over Stan Skinkiss (Manchester), 130, over eight rounds. Pat McAteer (Birkenhead), 156½, stopped Bobby Rhodes (Preston), 161½, in the third. Jackie Dyer (Bolton), 132, outpointed Chris Howson (Lancaster), 134, over six. Don Martin (Formby), 125, outpointed Jackie Raines (York), 128, over six. Billy Nelson (Lancaster), 119, outpointed Tony Ross (Manchester), 122, over four rounds.

SUNDERLAND.—It took Rocco King (Doncaster), 157½, six rounds to land a kayo on Jack Baker (Leicester), 163. Terry Cullen (Shotton), 149¾, stopped Fred Archer (Hucknall), 145¾, in the second round of a hard-hitting bout. Ronnie Iverson (Gateshead), 174¼, stopped Joe Elliott (Sunderland), 164¾, in the fourth round.

BELFAST.—Billy (Spider) Kelly (Derry), 129¾, son of the former British featherweight champion of the same name, is a lad who will have to be reckoned with when it comes to picking contenders for the British featherweight title. He outpunched Tommy Higgins (Hanley), 128¾, for six rounds before the latter retired. Paddy Dowdall (Dublin), 145, won comfortably on points over Johnny Reeves (Manchester), 140¾, at the end of eight rounds.

WALSALL.—Sandy Manuel (Nigeria), 135¼, upset the odds when he outpointed the unbeaten Norman Wormall (Birmingham), 137½, over eight rounds. Des Wilkins (Wednesbury), 149, defeated Ken Davies (Stourbridge), 147½, on points at the end of six hard-hitting rounds. Vic Glover (Birmingham), 143, and Les Garbutt (Cannock), 147, fought a punishing six-round contest to a draw.

PRESTON.—Ron Crookes (Sheffield), 172½, forced Tony Lord (Ashton-under-Lyne), 175, to retire with a badly cut eye in the seventh round of a fast and hard-hitting bout. Another good bout was that between Wally Curtis (Swindon), 174½, and Bob Couttie (Farnborough), 178, in which the latter was sent to his corner in the fourth round by the referee to save a game lad from unnecessary punishment.

RHYL.—Haydn Jones (Pengam), 124½, retained his Welsh featherweight title when he outpointed Dave Lloyd (Swansea), 125, over twelve rounds. Johnny Ritchie (Rhuddlan), 140, boxed well to defeat Tommy Cochrane (Belfast), 139, on points after six whirlwind rounds. Brian Goodwin (Manchester), 128, was too strong for Billy Connolly (Liverpool), 130, and at the end of eight rounds Goodwin was declared the winner.

WEST HARTLEPOOL.—Calvin Garraway (British Guiana), 162, and Bruce Crawford (Thornaby), 162, treated the big crowd to a thrilling bout that lasted into the sixth round when Garraway was put down exhausted for the full count. Ron Hughes (Romford), 113, was declared the winner over Alf Smith (Bermondsey), 113, in a splendid bout over six rounds.

LIVERPOOL.—Al Brown (British Guiana), 137½, forced Tom Bailey (Liverpool), 136¼, to retire in the fourth round with a suspected rib injury. Alby Tissong (Durban), 129½, gave a sparkling display when he outpointed Benny Chocolate (Gold Coast), 130, over eight rounds. Tommy Barnabas (Holywell), 146, gained a good points win over Johnny Reeves (Manchester), 142, after six rounds.

CLEETHORPES.—It took Jackie Turpin (Leamington), 128, exactly 30 seconds of the first round to defeat promising Doncaster featherweight, Irvin Newton, who was put down for a long count, and on rising was in no condition to defend himself. The referee wisely intervened. Les Allen (Bedworth), 157, outpointed Eddie Phillips (Glasgow), 152, over eight rounds.

MANCHESTER.—Gordon Hazell (Bristol) gained a good win over Johnny Sullivan (Preston) in the feature bout over ten rounds. These middleweights, with a title match in the offing, fought strenuously throughout but the stamina of the Bristolian was to the fore towards the end of the bout, and it was the grand finish in the last three rounds that turned the tide in Hazell's favour.

Alex Buxton (Watford), 165, won on points against Johnny Barton (Lancaster), 174, in a ten-round contest. Denny Dawson (Sheffield), 126, outpointed Johnny Molloy (St. Helens), 125¾, in a twelve-round bout for the Central Area featherweight title. Peter Fallon (Birkenhead) made short work of his welterweight bout with Rees Moore (Luton) for the latter was put down for two counts in the first round before the referee intervened. In a gruelling six-round contest, Johnny Brown (Salford), 127¾, outpointed Pat McCoy of Ireland, 127¾. Roy Bennett (Salford), 138, outpointed Tony Llanelly (Doncaster), 136¼, over eight rounds.

SUNDERLAND.—Eric Billington (Golbourne) gained a points win over Paul King (Torquay) in a eight round welterweight bout. Art Belloc (Cockermouth) and Charlie Mannion (Middlesborough) fought six rounds to a draw.

NOTTINGHAM.—Jake Tuli (British Empire flyweight champion), 115, gained a points win over Robert Meunier (France), 117, after ten closely fought rounds. Their previous bout ended in a draw. Roy Ankarah (British

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(Month Ending June 15, 1953)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Don Cockell (E)	Randy Turpin (E)	Randy Turpin (E)	Gerald Dreyer (SA)
2. Johnny Williams (E)	Yolande Pompee (T)	Gordon Hazell (E)	Cliff Curvis (W)
3. Ansell Adams (T)	Dennis Powell (W)	Johnny Sullivan (E)	Hector Constance (T)
4. Earl Walls (C)	George Walker (E)	Wally Beckett (E)	Peter Fallon (E)
5. Johnny Arthur (SA)	Albert Finch (E)	Duggie Miller (SA)	Wally Thom (E)
6. Mark Hart (E)	Al Allotey (WA)	Joe Maseko (SA)	Leslie McKenzie (SA)
7. Reg Andrews (E)	Alex Buxton (E)	Al Bourke (A)	George Kapeen (A)
8. Frank Bell (E)	Brian Anders (E)	Joe Munro (SA)	Tommy Burns (A)
9. Jack Hobbs (E)	Garnett Denny (I)	Alfie Sands (A)	Eddie Thomas (SA)
10. Fred Powell (E)	Jimmy Davis (E)	Jimmy Elliott (SA)	Israel Boyle (WA)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERWEIGHTS	BANTAMWEIGHTS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Frank Johnson (E)	Roy Ankarah (WA)	Jimmy Carruthers (A)	Jake Tuli (SA)
2. Arthur King (C)	Sammy McCarthy (E)	Peter Keenan (S)	Terry Allen (E)
3. Armand Savoie (C)	Ronnie Clayton (E)	Hogan Bassey (WA)	Jimmy Pearce (E)
4. Georgie Dunn (C)	Alby Tissong (SA)	John Kelly (I)	Eric Marsden (E)
5. Tommy McGovern (E)	Freddie King (E)	Stan Rowan (E)	Vic Herman (S)
6. Solly Cantor (E)	Sammy Bonnici (M)	Manny Francis (WA)	Johnny Quinn (S)
7. Joe Lucy (E)	Charlie Tucker (E)	Fernando Gagnon (C)	Joe Cairney (S)
8. Pat Ford (A)	Billy Kelly (I)	Tommy Icke (E)	Taffy Hancock (A)
9. Ivor Germain (BG)	Benny Chocolate (WA)	Jimmy Zale (WA)	Marcus Temple (SA)
10. Frank Flannery (A)	Jackie Turpin (E)	Johnny Heywood (E)	Henry Carpenter (E)

LEGEND—(A) Australia; (B) Barbados; (BG) British Guiana; (C) Canada; (E) England; (F) Fiji Islands; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (S) Scotland; (SA) South Africa; (T) Trinidad; (NZ) New Zealand; (W) Wales; (GC) Gold Coast; (WA) West Africa.

Empire featherweight champion), 126½, was in poor form for his bout with Mohammed Chickaoui (French Algiers), 128½, and after both had been cautioned to put something into their work, the referee let the bout drag on for seven rounds, then sent them back to their corners and declared "No Contest". Gene Caffrey (Glasgow), 126½, after eight rounds. Billy Cobb (Chesterfield), 137, stopped Jerry McGuinness (Glasgow), 136¼, in the fifth round. Eddie Hearn (Battersea), 192½, outpointed Jack Darlington (Matlock), 195½, over six rounds. Paddy Hardy (Dublin), 113½, outpointed Ogli Tettey (West Africa), 114, in a spirited six-round bout.

BELFAST.—Neville Tetlow (Manchester), 120½, narrowly outpointed Eddie "Bunty" Doran (Belfast), 120, over eight rounds. Garnett Denny (Belfast), 179¾, outpointed Les Johnson (Jamaica), 181¾, over eight rounds. Billy Smith (Bangor), 129½, boxed well to gain a points win over over Ray Long (Manchester), 130, after eight rounds. Joe Quinn (Buncrana), 157½, outpointed Cliff Garvey (Dundalk), 156½ over eight rounds.

GREAT YARMOUTH.—Cliff Anderson (British Guiana), 138¾, and Ricky McCullough (Belfast), 135, battled eight hard-hitting rounds to a draw. Peter Longo (Covent Garden), 158½, gained an impressive points win over Denny Taylor (High Wycombe), 151½, after six rounds. Jimmy Lynas (Coventry), 152, defeated Georgie Adams (Beccles), 154, on points after six rounds.

WEST HARTLEPOOL.—Johnny Nuttall (India), 154, by his greater experience gained a points win over Rocco King (Doncaster), 158, after eight rounds. Jack Colpitts (Newcastle), 136½, won a hard six-round contest against Billy Taylor (Stockton), 137. Malcolm Ames (Croydon), 129, stopped Colin Staples (Doncaster), 129, in the fourth round.

HARRINGAY.—Don Cockell (Battersea), former cruiserweight champion of Grant Britain, shocked the critics when he outfought or shall I say "bullied" his way through 15 rounds to outpoint Johnny Williams (Rugby) for the latter's British and Empire heavyweight titles. Williams, surprised by Cockell in the first round by the latter's left swings and hooks, seemed to go in a shell and fought a back-peddling contest, allowing Cockell to gain confidence and win the with plenty to spare. Williams had no one to blame but himself for losing his titles. Ronnie Clayton (Blackpool), 125½, successfully defended his featherweight title and became the owner outright to the second Lord Lonsdale Belt, when he knocked out Freddie King (Walworth), 125¼, in the fourth round. What can best be described as "A Classic" was the ten-round contest between "Smiling' Sammy McCarthy, of Stepney, 127¾, and Jaques Legendre (France), 125¼. I call it a classic because both boxers fought as if the bout was a worlds championship. Not a clinch throughout, class boxing, and class fighting. The only thing lacking was a KO punch. Both came in for a grand hand from the big crowd at the end of the contest, with McCarthy being a deserving points winner. Jack Hobbs (Shepherds Bush), 206, took 1 minute 23 seconds of the first round to plant a left hook to the body of Joe Crickmar (Stepney), 184, and the latter took no more interest in the bout. Brian Anders (Brighton), 172, had some anxious moments in his bout with Wilf Glynn (St. Helens), 168½, but Anders lasted the eight rounds better and was declared the winner. Gerry Hassett (Belfast), 137, boxed cleverly to outpoint the hard hitting Morden battler, Danny Hurley, 137½, over eight rounds. Ron Harman (Brighton), 201½, outpointed Hugh Ferns (Glasgow), 209½, over six rounds.

OLDHAM.—Bola Lawal (Nigeria) outpointed Charlies Simpkins (Bridlington) over eight rounds of a featherweight contest. Sandy Manuel (Nigeria) outpointed Tony Llanelly (Doncaster) in an eight-round lightweight contest. Eddie Ricketts (Jamaica) gained a points win over Phil Mellish (Hyde) after eight rounds.

WEMBLEY.—Al Allotey (Gold Coast), 175½, defeated Billy Dean (Woolwich), 175, in the third round when the latter was forced to retire with a badly cut right eye, due to a clash of heads. Alf Lay (Chelsea), 152, stopped Ken Mullins (Jamaica), 159¾, in the third round. Leo Maloney (Hillingdon), 147, gave a smart performance to outpoint Pat Gutteridge (Bow), 147½, over six rounds.

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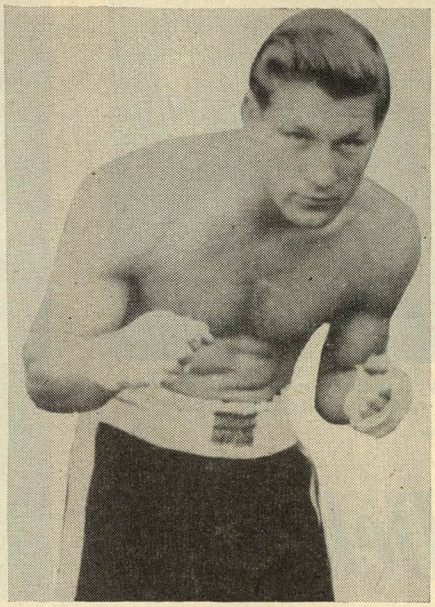
LIVERPOOL.—Pat McAteer, the hard hitting Birkenhead middleweight, knocked out Ron Crogan (Paddington) in the fourth round. Joe Bygraves (Birkenhead) knocked out Peter McCann (Sunderland) in the first round of a heavyweight bout. Jackie Butler (Preston) outpointed Billy Gibson (Doncaster) over six rounds.



Gordon Hazell, Bristol middleweight, scored two impressive wins, stopping Willie Armstrong, Scottish champion, and eking out a close decision over Johnny Sullivan.

EMPRESS HALL, EARLS COURT.—Bobby Dawson (U.S.A.), 159¾, gained a good win over Wally Beckett (Carshalton), 162¾, when the referee intervened in his favour, during the eighth round. Beckett looked like causing a big upset when he rocked the American with heavy right-hand punches to the jaw, and Dawson had to pull out all he knew to weather the storm. Albert Finch (Croydon), 176, met a tarter in Wim Snoeck of Holland, 170. The latter had too much on the ball for Finch and won a good contest on points after ten rounds. Lew Lazar, the popular young welterweight from Aldgate, 147¾, reversed a previous points defeat when he stopped Terry Ratcliff (Bristol), 147½, in the third round. the referee intervening after Ratcliff had taken two long counts in the first round, and receiving a badly cut eye. Mark Hart (Croydon), 190, outpointed Reg Andrews (Deal), 190½, over eight rounds. A young flyweight with a future is the 19-year-old, ex-amateur champion, Dai Dower of Newport, 112. His KO win over Alf Smith (Bermondsey), 112¾, in the first round. was done in very good style.

BIRMINGHAM.—Yolande Pompee (Trinidad), 168¾, made short work of Roland Guille (France), 174¼, in the second round when, with ten seconds to go, the latter held up his hands in retirement. Tommy McGovern (Bermondsey), 137¾, and Solly Cantor (Canada) 136¾, fought a fast eight round contest to a draw. Roy Baird (Birmingham), 140¾, outpointed Billy Thompson, (Hickleton Main) 142¾, over eight rounds of a welterweight contest. Roy Ankarah (British Empire featherweight champion), 127½, showed his old form against Juan Alvarez (Spain), 126½, whom he outpointed and outpunched for ten rounds. Frank Parkes (Nottingham) won on points from Cliff Anderson (British Guiana) over eight rounds.

CARLISLE.—Colin Clitheroe (Preston) gained a points win over Jimmie Quinn (Kirkintilloch) in an eight-round flyweight bout.

Oglie Tettey (West Africa) stopped Jimmy Jennings (Clapton) in the fifth round of a flyweight bout. Jimmy Muirhead (Newcastle) outpointed Peter Collins (Scotland) in a six-round welterweight bout. Freddie Bancroft (Cockermouth) won on points after six rounds of a featherweight contest against Art Tyson (Sheffield).

RHYL.—Peter King (Manchester) defeated Tim McCleary (Wrexham) on points after eight rounds of a welterweight contest. Larry Parks (Stoke) knocked out Derek Molloy (Rhyl) in the second round of a middleweight contest. Dave Underwood (Plymouth) outpointed Tommy Barnabas (Holywell) over six rounds of a welterweight contest. Tony Ross (Manchester) knocked out George Ellis (Rhyl) in the third round of a featherweight bout.

SUNDERLAND.—Jimmy Ford (New Brancepeth) outpointed Johnny Delmore (Leeds) in an eight-round bout. Terry Cullen (Shotton) knocked out Danny Cunningham (Methil) in the fifth round.

WEST HARTLEPOOL.—Glyn Evans (Doncaster) outpointed Bobby Boland (Dundee) in an eight-round featherweight contest. Malcolm Pidgean (South Bank) outpointed Brian Coxhead (Preston) in an eight-round welterweight bout. Eric Ludlam (Sheffield) outpointed Joe Elliott (Sunderland) over six rounds of a middleweight contest.

WESTON-super-MARE.—Dudley Cox (Bournemouth) stopped Ron Deamer (Paddington) in the fourth round of a middleweight contest. Cliff Giles (Linton) defeated Marty Hicks (Bristol) in the fifth round of a featherweight bout. Johnny Cheatle (Portsmouth) outpointed Mike Hughes (Netheravon) over six rounds of a lightweight contest. Johnny Williamson (Gloucester) outpointed Ken Crawley (Portsmouth) over six rounds of a featherweight bout.

BELFAST.—John Kelly, the undefeated Belfast bantamweight, 120½, blasted his way through to a four-round KO over Ron Perry (Stalybridge), 120¾. Jackie Mitchell (Belfast), 158¼, stopped Bobby Burns (Manchester), 152½, in the second round. Jim Fisher (Belfast), 125, won over Eddie McNally (Portadown), 124, in the fourth round when he forced the later to retire. John McManus (Lurgan), 119½, and Billy Graham (Lisburn). 125, fought four rounds at nonstop in a bout that was called a draw. The fans showered them with coin of the realm.

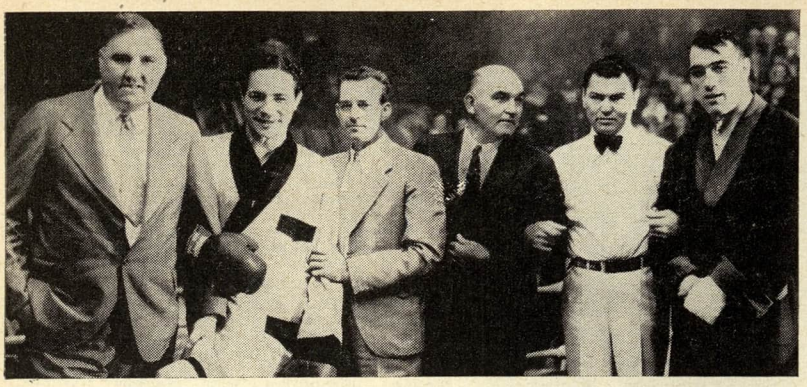
LIVERPOOL.—Pat McAteer (Birkenhead) and Ernie Vickers (Middlesborough) put up a good bout over eight rounds, with McAteer earning the decision. Jimmy Zale (Nigeria) making his initial appearance in a British ring, stopped Johnny Heywood (Nottingham) in the seventh round of a bantamweight bout, the latter receiving a badly cut eye.

MILE END.—Arthur Howard (Hoxton), 169, made short work of Ron Crookes (Sheffield), 173½, the latter was counted out for the first time in his career. A fusilade of blows to the head and body in the first round put Crookes down for the full count. After witnessing the first professional appearance of the 18-year-old Jimmy Newman of Walthamstow, 140, I venture to predict that within six months of his coming of age, he will be a champion in anything between middleweight or heavyweight of Great Britain. His KO over Johnny Cheatle (Portsmouth), 136½, in the first round, was "Class Personified". Tommy Hinson (Dagenham), 146, survived several knockdowns to gain a meritorious points victory over Jack Armstrong (Gold Coast), 143, after eight hectic rounds. Ron Richardson (Canning Town), 137½, (a lad with a future) stopped Johnny Platt (Dagenham), 137¾, in the third round. Roy Holt (Ilford), 145, (a good prospect) stopped Ken Schammell (Walworth), 144, in the second round. Dennis Bobbington (West Ham), 158, stopped Sid Harrington (Dulwich), 165¾ in the second round.

GLASGOW.—Gordon Hazell (Bristol) gave Willie Armstrong (Scotland's middleweight champion) a rough time in their ten-round contest and the referee was forced to intervene in the last round to save a game man unnecessary punishment. The Scot was floored seven times during the ninth round. Lew Lazar, the Aldgate welterweight, is an improving boxer and it won't be long before his is among the title contenders. His win on points over Danny Malloy (Coatbridge) after eight rounds was warmly received by the crowd.

MANCHESTER.—Jackie Braddock (Manchester) knocked out Eric McQuade (Downham) in the fifth round. Alby Tissong (South Africa) scored a points win over Denny Dawson (Sheffield) in an eight-round featherweight contest. Peter Smith (Huddersfield) won on points after eight rounds against Paul King (Torquay). Neville Tetlow (Manchester) outpointed Peter Fay (Bournemouth) after eight rounds.

DUNDEE.—Jimmy Croll (the popular Dundee welterweight) stopped Ken Maynard (Lancaster) in the fourth round. Oglie Tettey (West Africa) knocked out Paddy Hardy (Dublin) in the first round. Johnny Beveridge (Kirkaldy) stopped Micky Stasak (France) in the sixth round of a lightweight contest. Freddie Bancroft (Cockermouth) stopped Tommy Croll (Dundee) in the sixth round of a lightweight contest. Art Belloc (Cumberland) outpointed Paddy McGuire (Glasgow) over six rounds.



(Left to right) Jess Willard, Max Baer, Director W. S. Van Dyke, Jim Jeffries, Jack Dempsey and Primo Carnera in 1933 get together during the filming of "The Prizefighter and the Lady".

Jeffries' Debut

Famous Referee, octogenarian sportsman who saw Jeffries at the start of his career, tells about his early days in San Francisco.

By BILLY ROCHE

AT this time, when the boxing world is mourning the passing of one of the greatest heavyweights of all time, James J. Jeffries, it is of interest to learn something about his early days from one who knew him well and who followed him in the training camps. In 1906 I happened to be in the "Sporting Emporium" on Market Street, San Francisco, owned by Tom and Joe McDonald. No doubt there are many San Franciscans who will recall the place. I was talking with Joe when in walked two young men, one named John Mullen and the other, a swarthy giant with a pleasant face and twinkling black eyes. Mullen introduced his companion as James J. Jeffries from Los Angeles. He told us that Jeffries was a young fighter who was broke and looking for work.

At the time the McDonald brothers were promoters in a small way and invariably they gave out a helping hand to pugilists who frequented the tavern. Mullen seemed very much interested in the young giant and told us about a fight he had fought in Los Angeles with a Negro named Griffin who he said had given Jeffries a shellacking for several rounds but was finally knocked out by Jeff in the fourteenth round.

Joe McDonald looked the young giant over and decided that he was worth a trial. He asked if Jeffries would agree to fight for a $150 purse, the winner to get $100, the loser $50 and that his opponent would be Dan Long, who later became the Chief of Police of Los Angeles and is now retired. The main event was to be between Billy Gallagher and Mysterious Billy Smith. Jeffries accepted.

Long was more than 6 feet tall and weighed more than 200 pounds, so it was in fact, a battle of giants. Jeff had his opponent all but out in the opening round and in the second round, a right uppercut took Long off the floor and landed him like a log. The fight was over. Jeff quickly raised Long from the floor and carried him over to his stool while those who viewed the encounter cheered the young man. The gang went wild with delight and discussed Jeff as a coming champion.

THERE was an ambitious young man in the city at the time who saw the Jeffries-Long fight and thought that Jeff would be an easy mark for him. His name was Van Buskirk. McDonald didn't waste much time in signing Jeff and Van Buskirk for a twenty-round fight for a purse of $1500, the winner to get $1000, but while Jeffries was in training for that fight, he became seriously ill and the fight had to be postponed. He had pneumonia and for a time the doctors didn't think he'd get well.

In the struggle that followed with the Grim Reaper, Jeff showed the guts he so frequently displayed as a pugilist. He was so low at one time that the doctor decided to send for his parents who weren't aware of his illness nor of his whereabouts at the time. Jeff had kept that a secret because he didn't want them to know of his financial difficulties.

We were stopping at Haggerty's Road House, Jeff's training quarters, about a half mile from the Cliff House on the shore of the Pacific Ocean. Australian Billy Smith, who at the time was Jeff's trainer, and I kept watch over him and we had him propped in bed at his own insistence and worked over him to reduce his temperature when his doctor arrived with instructions for us to plaster the patient's chest and back with Antiphilogistine, a putty-like substance, and to cover it with absorbent cotton.

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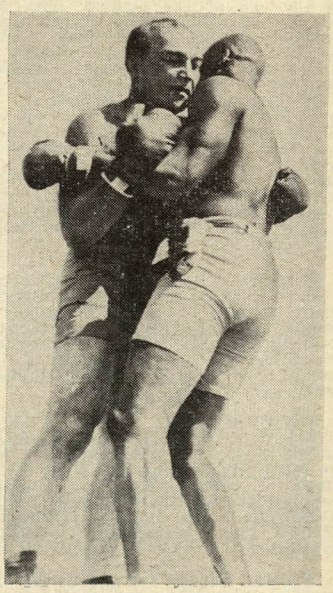
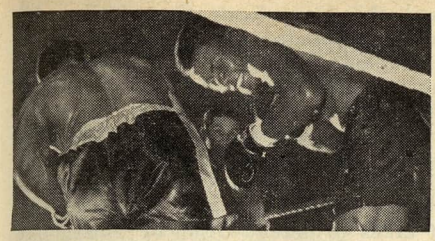
Top photo of Jeffries taken in 1939 as he watched Joe Louis-Jack Roper fight at Los Angeles, Cal. Bottom shows Jim as he looked in 1901 as an actor in "The Man From the West".



Jim during his championship fight with Jack Johnson in 1910 failed to regain the crown and was unable to use his former prodigious strength in the clinches and was tamed by Johnson in 15 rounds.



Yolande Pompee, of Trinidad, batters away at Isimeli Radrodro, of Fiji, in the third round of their bout at Singapore. Radrodro was unable to continue after this round. (Photo Straits Times)

SHORT RIGHTS FROM SINGAPORE

By Ralph P. Modder

YOLANDE POMPEE, of Trinidad, contender for the world light-heavyweight title, 167, thrilled a 10,000 crowd at the Happy World Arena in promoter Razak's main attraction, when he stopped Fiji and Orient light-heavy champ, Isimeli Radrodro, 177, in three rounds. The Fijian was much too green for the West Indian whirlwind, whose sledge-hammer punching, rocked him like a cork on a rough Pacific sea. In the first round, the Fijian connected with a loping left and then a hard right. In the third, the West Indian went to town. He scored with double lefts to the head and body and followed up with lightning crosses to the Fijian's head. Then a mighty left hook followed by a right sent the Fijian to the canvas for a count of seven. Radrodro got to his feet and back-pedalled to see the round through, but as he walked to his corner, it was obvious that the Fijian was almost on his way out, and Radrodro's seconds signalled to ref Dunsford that their charge was unfit to carry on.

Jagir Singh, 126, had a lot of trouble from Sonny Chia, 122, but lasted the distance to win on points over ten rounds. Jagir was down for two counts—in the first and in the eighth stanzas—the bell saving him on both occasions. Little Pancho, 108, and Johnny Noble, 115, drew over four; Lefty Majid, 115, vs. Jimmy Kid, 115, stopped in two, no contest; Nai Som See, 125, TKO'd Kan Tong Kee, 126, in four.

Three Australians provided three close battles in promoter Nene's card at the Happy World. Their fights all went the distance of ten rounds. One of the Aussies drew and the others lost to the Singapore boys. In the main event Singapore's Lim Kee Chan beat Harry O'Sullivan. Both men weighed 122½. The fight between Paul Cheng, 139, and Jimmy Baines (Aust.), 133½, was a toe-to-toe scrap and the decision of a draw was well received. Ricardo Padernal of the Philippines, 123½, was given the nod over Aussie Max Murphy, 123½, after ten dreary rounds.

Boy Salleh, 123, KO'd Battling Wari, 125, in the first session; Mel Ahmad, 123, TKO'd Goh Fai, 122½, in four.

Hector Constance, 148, of Trinidad, number two contender for the British Empire welterweight champtionship, stopped Nai Usman, 143, Siam's number two welterweight, in the fourth session in promoter Razak's card at the Happy World Arena. The Siamese was no match for the vicious punching West Indian, but he is a tough guy and went down gallantly.

A barrage of hard lefts and rights to the head and body saw the Siamese go down. He rolled over on his face, his eyes glassy, but got to his feet as ref Dunsford tolled six. But Usman, although standing, did not know whether he was in Singapore or Bangkok. He was holding on to the ropes with both hands and the ref said "enough" on Usman's behalf.

Sonny Chia, 125, fought out another hectic ten-round return bout to beat Jagir Singh, 126, on points.

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NEWS FROM SUNNY AUSTRALIA

By Ray Mitchell

WE have two new national champions—Pat Ford and Bobby Sinn. Pat stopped Frank Flannery in ten rounds in Melbourne for the lightweight crown, and Sinn stopped Young Regan in 11 rounds for the bantam title in Brisbane.

Both efforts were full of merit, but Ford's KO win stamped him as a world title prospect—providing he is not rushed. It was Pat's seventeenth fight as a pro, and he punished Flannery in every round, inflicting more damage on Frankie than did Frank Johnson of England. Pat has now won 16 fights by KO. When Flannery was asked after the fight if he wanted a return, he said: "What, fight Pat again! If I fight him again, I will finish up drawing funny pictures on the wall, and sitting back and laughing at them myself."

The Sinn-Regan fight was a vicious thriller, but Regan was outboxed and outfought, even though he made Sinn fight all the way. With Regan helpless in the eleventh round, the referee stopped it.

Number one contender for the Australian flyweight title, Jackie Burke, displayed world class form against African Kid Dynamite. Burke knocked Dynamite down five times in the four rounds the contest lasted. In the fourth Dynamite blew up when Burke exploded a right on his jaw. The referee stopped it before the African was annihilated. This contest, like the Sinn-Regan affair, took place in Brisbane.

In Sydney a tragedy occurred in the fight between Dickie Lowe and Johnny Slockie. It was a thriller with Slockie in command during the early rounds. Then Lowe got on top and had Slockie in a bad way in the twelfth and last round. Referee Vic Patrick stopped it in that round and Slockie, in a daze, was taken to the hospital. He lapsed into unconsciousness and died the next day. He left a young wife and three children.

Freddie Dawson will be out here on his fourth visit. He should arrive next month.

There is a four-round preliminary fighter named Norm Unwin, who looks a commer. He is a bantam, with three KO victories in three fights.

Trevor King further demonstrated his skill and superiority over Bluey Wilkins at Sydney Stadium. Trevor hit Bluey with everything and Patrick had to stop it in the seventh.

Col Douglas outclassed Ron aVrcoe in Brisbane, to take out an easy points verdict.

Ex-amateur champion, Norm Jones, had his second pro start in opposition to experienced Alfie Clay at Leichhardt and was treating Clay to a boxing lesson when Alf was disqualified in the seventh round.

Johnny Dart, making his third pro appearance (he had four fights as an amateur) impressed in Melbourne by the manner of his victory over Norm Saunders by an 11-round KO.

In Sydney, Ace Chocolate coated Billy Stewart with gloves, winning by a KO in the eighth round. Then he went to Melbourne and met a points defeat at the gloves of Al Wilburn, English welter. It was not a spectacular fight, but it was a hard one.

Alfie Sands stopped Carlo Marchini in nine rounds, after giving him an unmerciful beating. Marchini displayed outstanding gameness to last as long as he did. This bout was in Sydney. Then Alfie went to his home city, Newcastle, and fought Jackie Marr. The bout ended in the seventh with Marr the winner on a foul. Sands was disqualified after knocking Marr to the floor with a low blow.

Two good heavyweight fights took place in Sydney. Both were between Allen Williams and Rudolph Crivac. Williams won both on points.

At Leichhardt, African Panama Flash, had a comfortable points win over Vin Woods, Melbourne feather. Woods was also outpointed in Melbourne by Barney Walker. Walker followed up his victory by stopping Danny Hirsch in seven rounds.

Englishman Ray Fitton knocked out Frank Scott, Melbourne lightweight, in the eleventh. Pat Kenny proved too experienced for Bruce Farthing, Sydney middle, on the same bill. Kenny stopped Farthing in five.

Jackie Ryan forced Gordon Meredith to give away any ideas he has on Ryan's Queensland lightweight title, by stopping him in nine heats of a twelve-rounder.

Ray Coleman had an easy six-round KO victory over Alan Ritchie at Leichhardt.

Bill Larrigo knocked out Zag Rakicic in the third round at Newcastle.

Other twelve-round bouts resulted:

Leichhardt: Cec Hart outpointed Darcy Wells. Welters. Bert Hornby KO'd Teddy McCoy, 8. Welters.

Sydney: Darby Brown outpointed Brian Charles. Welters.

Melbourne: Phil Burt KO'd Laurie Schwind, 6. Lights.

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Get September issue of THE RING for complete coverage of the Olson-Young middleweight title fight.

BOXING NOTES FROM BRAZIL

By Dr. Izorgot

SAO PAULO.—Paulo Zacoman, Brazil, 160, KO'd Aurelio Trevo, 162, Argentina, in the third round. In the semi-final of eight rounds, Nelson de Andrade, of S. Paulo, beat Esmar Gonzaga, Rio de Janeiro.

Minas Gerais.—Pedro Galasso, 135, Brazil, outpointed the Chilian, Luiz Fuentealba, in ten rounds. Nelson de Oliveira, Rio, 145, beat Juan Carlos Zalazar, 146, of Argentina, in the ten-round semi-final. Augusto Candido dos Santos, Rio de Janeiro, beat Manuel Evangelista, Sã Paulo, in six. Alfo Baronti, (Santos) KO'd M. Menezes, Portugal, in the second round. Orestes Martins and Andre Silva drew in four rounds. Valdemar Adão, Brazilian golden glove champion, KO'd Sebastião da Silva, in the second round.

Francisco de Assis outpointed Gregorio Ernani in eight rounds. They are heavyweights. Ary Julio dos Santos and Jonas Arangoni drew in eight.

Helio Torres and Valdemar Ortab drew in ten round main bout. Manoel Bôa Morte decisioned Atayde de Oliveira in eight rounds. Eduardo Santana beat Valter do Nascimento in six. Pedro Evangelista outpoined Urfal Lopes in six rounds. Acyr Sereno outclassed Nelson Miranda in four. Carlito Neto and Teodoro Will drew in six rounds.

NEWS FROM LA LAGUNA, MEXICO

By Miguel Ramirez Aznar

ARENA "ESTADIO," SALTILLO.—Otilio Galván, 119, Mexico flyweight champion, knocked out Angel Iglesias, 118, in the sixth. Rogelio Saucedo, 119, stopped Panchito Villa II, 119, in the fourth. Memo Diez, 112, TKO'd Esteban Mendoza, 118, in the third round.

Campo Deportivo, Durango.—Humberto (Hamlet) Carrillo, 126, and Fili Nava, 125, drew in ten rounds. Manuel Delgado, 132, TKO'd Hector Garcia, 133, in the fourth round.

Arena "Rosita", Torreon.—Manuel Muñoz, 132, and Baby Luna, 125, drew in ten rounds. Manuel Rocha, 143, beat Canelo Kid (Eduardo Rodriguez), 142, in ten rounds.

Club Olimpico, Durango.—Tomás Castillo, 126, iced César Saavedra, 128, in three. Baby Serrano, 121, kayoed Leandro Garcia, 119, in three. Relámpago Name, 143, bested Babe Carlos Leyva, 134, in eight.

Arena "Estadio", Saltillo.—Lino Botello, 121, won a decision over Rogelio Saucedo, 119, in ten. Alfredo (Ardilla) López, 110, outpointed Tarzán Kid (Roberto Espinoza), 115, in ten rounds. Gallito Ruiz, 118, stopped Jesús Lara, 120, in the third.

Arena "Rosita", Torreon.—Moy Torres, 127, won a ten-round unanimous decision over Humberto Carrillo, 126. Manuel (Lefty) Mendoza, 131, defeated Domingo Hidalgo, 134, in ten. Francisco (Cisco Kid) Pérez, 145, bested Arturo (Chale) Carrillo, 142, in eight.

Arena "Casino", Chavez.—Canelo Kid (Eduardo Rodriguez), 141, stopped Toro Rivas, 135, in the seventh. Chino Colonia, 136, bested Diego Estala, 137, in eight.

Club Olimpico, Durango.—Manuel Rocha, 146, kayoed Salvador Davila, 147, in the seventh. Baby Luna, 123, decisioned Baby Serrano, 122, after ten rounds.

Arena "Rosita", Torreon.—Lucio (Borracho) Gonzalez, 116, iced Manolo Ramirez, 117, in twelve rounds and won the La Laguna bantamweight championship. Felix (Firpito) Gaytán, 117, beat Serapio (Sapito) Jimenez, 118, in ten rounds. Joel Rodriguez, 143, stopped Ceferino Quezada (Chefero Kid), 148, in the fifth.

Club Olimpico, Durango.—Angel Aldama, 122, kayoed Baby Serrano, 123, in fifth. Manuel Muñoz, 132, kayoed Huracan Delgado, 132, in five.

Plaza De Toros, Torreon.—Juan Leaños, 128, convincingly outpointed Tomas Castillo, 127, after ten rounds. Trini Pérez, 130, and Salvador Mares, 132, no contest after seven rounds. Salvador Davila, 148, stopped Carlos Talamantes, 147, in the sixth. Pedro Piña, 131, TKO'd Rafael Vazquez, 128, in the fourth round.

RATINGS

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ings, 10. Wallace (Bud) Smith was held to a draw by welterweight Luther Rawlings, 10.

Frank Johnson forfeited British championship by coming in overweight for Joe Lucy; then lost decision to Lucy, 12. Armando Lopez beat Larry Mujica, 10, and kayoed Jimmy Burns, 8. Carlos Chavez defeated Comrado Castanon, 10. Ralph Dupas stopped Tote Martinez, 6.

Baby Vasquez kayoed Hernan Gonzalez, 5. Tommy Romulo defeated Tenejeros Boy, 10. Luis Barreto outpointed Victor Leon, 10. Jimmy Savala decisioned Reuben Smith, 10. George Justine stopped Johnny Kamber, 4, and beat Snuffy Smith, 6.

Bobby Woods defeated Joe Velez, 10. Eddie Compo decisioned Bobby English, 10. Duilio Bianchini decisioned Taki Ziyaris, 8. Ziyaris came back to beat Karl Machart, 6. Santiago Esteban outpointed Al Juergens, 10. Norm Jones won from Alfie Clay on disqualification, 7. Henry Davis beat Freddie Herman, 10.

Damaso Collazo beat Diego Sosa, 10. Frankie Ryff outpointed Richie Howard, 8. Howard beat Al Villafarro, 10. Basil Marie outpointed Doug Kirby, 10. Ruben Diaz stopped Juan Lopez, 7 and beat Eloy Pacheco, 8. Tommy McGovern drew with Solly Cantor, 10. George Berry beat Benny Uhl, 8. Johnny Fisher beat Andy Maes, 6.

Allan Tanner registered upset victory over German champion, Werner Handtke, 10. Carl Coates stopped Dave Rollins, 5. Carmelo Costa outpointed Ray Edwards, 6, and kayoed Johnny Donaldson, 1. Bobby Fenty decisioned Jimmy Watkins, Jr., 8, and Damaso Collazo, 6. Ross Calvin defeated Dick Armstrong, 8, but lost to Ralph Cervantes, 6. Ralph lost to Lorenzo Garcia, 6, and Doug Medley, 6, but beat Clinton McDade, 6.

Tommy Manaois drew with Bolo Montes, 10. Al Brown decisioned Gordon Goodman, 8. Papa Brown outpointed Ralph Weiser, 6. Jackie Ryan stopped Gordon Meredith, 9.

Herbie Jones kayoed Tony Gallagher, 6. Johnny Busso drew with Fredrico Escalero, 6. Ray Fitton polished off Frank Scott, 11. Tommy Maddox drew with Ernest Mosley, 6.

Phil Burt kayoed Laurie Schwind, 6. Jimmy Ford outfought Johnny Delmore, 8. Houston Brown defeated Eddie Griffin, 6. Jimmy Croll halted Ken Maynard, 4. Rudy DeHoyos won over Aurelio Cruz, 10. Don Cloud beat Babe Mathis, 6, Babe stopped Del Cockayne, 6. Felix Redundo stopped Terry Young, 8.

Honey Boy Williams drew with Jimmy Ford, 6. Johnny Valentine defeated Chet Wiley, 6. Joey Fisher won over Augie Salazar, 10. Frankie Speed stopped Ed Jennings, 4. Isaac Logart stopped Gabriel Diaz, 8, and beat Basilio Garcia, 10, Garcia drew with Rafael Lastrem, 10.

Bobby Bickle kayoed Fernando Rivera, 9, and kayoed Ronnie Spain, 3. Leonard Gaines beat Carman Venuto, 6, and kayoed him, in 6. Armando Martinez defeated Gabriel Diaz, 10. Al Hunter beat Filberto Osario, 6.

Dexter Conners, defeated Bertie Conn, 6. Star Naven outscored Paulito Escarlan, 10. Milton Ross defeated Augustin Argote, 10. Tommy Lerma beat Star Manog, 10.

Jimmy Carter retained world title by stopping George Araujo, 13. Italian champion Duilio Loi outpointed Jean Labalette, 10. Sauveur Chiocca won from Rene Bolivia, 10. Felice Gallo drew with Franco Antonini, 8. Ludwig Lightburn decisioned Ben Miloud, 8.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Percy Bassett lost to lightweight Arthur Persley, 10.

Willie Pep stopped Pat Marcune, 10.

Lulu Perez outpointed Glen Flanagan, 10. Jimmy Cooper kayoed Gene Smith, 6. Victor (Sonny) Leon outpointed Luis Galvani, but lost to lightweight Luis Barreto, 10.

Juan Leanos outpointed Tomas Castillo, Castillo kayoed Cesar Saavedra, 3. Baby Ortiz stopped Memo Valero, 8, to win the Mexican championship. Philippines champion Larry Bataan successfully defended his title by beating Flash Elorde, 12.

Angel Aldama kayoed Baby Serrano, 5. Ciro Morasen beat Emilio de la Rosa, 10. Miguel Berrios defeated Earl Hilton, 10. Humberto Carrillo drew with Fili Neva, 10, but lost to Moi Torres, 10.

Panama Flash decisioned Vin Woods, 12. Woods also lost to Barney Walker, 12. Walker halted Danny Hirsch, 7. Arthur Portley stopped Teddy Roberts, 3.

Joey Cam defeated Bill Bossio, 10. Ray Coleman stopped Alan Ritchie, 6. Jose Ramos upset Tito Valles, 8. Dommy Gaviola outpointed Young Nacionalista, 10. Mickey Mars defeated Tony Spano, 8.

Baby Face Gutierrez decisioned Billy Peacock, 10. Jackie Turpin lost to Harry Ramsden on disqualification, 7. Austrian champion Willi Swoboda polished off Pietro Scardino, 3. Aubrun Copeland beat Tony Mairana, 6.

Tommy Corrick defeated Don Grinton, 6. Billy (Spider) Kelly thrashed Hugh Mackie, 8. Emile Lamarche drew with Hubert Gagnier, 6, then stopped Hubert, 5. Billy (Spider) Kelly trounced Hugh Mackie, 8. Silvester Wallace kayoed Kid Allen, 6. Heinz Gelhaar drew with Willi Lauter, 6. Lauter outpointed Jimmy Wilkins, 4.

Joe Wilkinson stopped Guillermo Roberts, 5. Baby Luna drew with Manuel Munoz, 10, and beat Baby Serrano, 10. Glyn Evans shaded Bobby Boland, 8. Eddie Marotta won on a disqualification over Ples Gilmore, 3.

Bola Lawal edged out Charley Simpkins, 8. Bobby Courchesne beat Braxton Reed, 6, and drew with Baby Beau Jack, 6. Trevor King stopped Bluey Wilkins, 7. Paul Jorgeson defeated Israel Garcia, 6.

Ben Escobar drew with Baby Brown, 10. Davey Moore outscored Terry Book, 5. Humberto (Kid Anahuac) Martinez stopped Lino Garcia, 8. Enrique Lamelas, 2, and Jimmy Cooper, 6.

Manuel Perdomo drew with Juan Medina, 10 and beat Tony Say, 10, then drew with Luis Contreras, 10. Contreras lost to Fernando Silva, 10. Juan Martinez beat Enrique de la Cruz, 10, and kayoed Chebo de la Torre, 4. Ernie Pineda outpointed Milling Ramos, 6.

Marcel Auclair outpointed Jesus Rubio, 10. Sergio Milan drew with bantamweight Andre Valignat, 10. Miguel Berrios defeated Tommy Reed, 8.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

North American champion Pappy Gault kayoed Manny Castro, 10, and Billy Lima, 9. Edel Ojeda won the Mexican title by beating Luis Castillo, 12.

Bobby Sinn annexed Australian title by stopping Young Regan, 11. Baby Moe Mario stopped Tommy Umeda, 9.

Diaz Mendez became new Spanish champion by outpointing Francisco Romaguera, 12. Isidro Martinez stopped Juan Diaz, II, 6. Billy Peacock lost to featherweight Baby Face Guiterrez, 10.

Chamrern Songkitrat outpointed flyweight Vic Herman, 10. Buddy Baggett and Manny Castro drew, 10 Otilio Galvan kayoed Angel Iglesias, 6. Beto Couary defeated Baby Rivera, 10, and Manuel Armenteros, 10.

Lino Botello beat Rogelio Saucedo, 10, Saucedo stopped Pancho Villa, II, 4. John Kelly blasted out Ron Perry, 4. Lucio Gonzales kayoed Manuel Ramirez, 12.

Chico Villa kayoed Don Badilla, 5. Jose Cotero defeated George Jacquet, 6. Raton Macias beat Trini Ruiz, 10. Nate Brooks defeated Eddie Crawford, 6.

Roberto Razo stopped Pedro Garcia, 8. Gallito Ruiz stopped Jesus Lara, 3. Felix Galtan defeated Sapito Jimenez, 10. Jimmy Zale stopped Johnny Haywood, 7. Frankie Campos kayoed Jimmy Quinn, 3.

Jackie Butler decisioned Billy Gibson, 6. Alex Santoy kayoed Baby Alaniz, 6. Angel Amaya defeated Jose Ramon Nelson, 6. Kid Tolosa stopped Young Tony, 4. Ali Martucci won from Enrique Bidau, 6.

Emilio de la Rosa lost to Ciro Morasen and drew with Orlando Castillo, 10. Castillo lost to Orlando Reyes, 8. Humbert Castell kayoed Israel Anido, 2. Enrique Fernandez drew with Israel de Armas, 6, and kayoed Leo Silegas, 5.

Delfin Castueras defeated Buddy Luna, 6. Deone Alforque beat Young Fuentes, 8. Ric Sanchez beat Baby Naven, 6. Little Manuel kayoed Star Bulan, 4.

Andre Valignat drew with featherweight Sergio Milan, 10. Roberto Spina kayoed Antonio Minissale, 2.

FLYWEIGHTS

Louis Skena stopped Young Martin, 14, for European flyweight title.

Dai Dower polished off Alf Smith, 1, and whipped Mickey Roche, 6. Roche decisioned Jimmy Thomson, 8.

Vic Herman was outpointed by bantamweight Chamrern Songkitrat, 10. Amado Mir won over Leo Silegas, 8. Danny Kid defeated Willie Brown, 10.

Colin Clitheroe outpointed Scottish champion Jimmy Quinn, 8. Al Jennings kayoed Mario Cruz, 4. Memo Diaz kayoed Esteban Mendoza, 3.

Ogli Tettey was too strong for Jimmy Jennings and stopped him, 5. Ardilla Lopez beat Roberto Espinoza, 10. Panchito Silva beat Chabelo Ortega, 10.

Rudy Alcantara drew with Ric Ricuerdo, 6, but was kayoed by Midget Wolgast, 5. Baby Mante drew with Battling Gudillos, 6. Bino Manalo kayoed Abe Connie, 5.

TURPIN TO FIGHT IN U. S. FOR CROWN

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world title without having a representative of our country as a finalist against the best man produced on this side of the Big Pond, have been vindicated as have the European Boxing Union, the National Boxing Association and the New York Commission. All have contended that the universal champion cannot be acknowledged until a European meets an American for the title.

With careful training and the help of an American second to handle Turpin, the British may see their man regain the world crown. He has what it takes to defeat Olson or Young but will not, in my opinion, turn the trick with the kind of training he followed for the Humez battle.

As a boxer, Randy surpasses the American entrant in the world stakes. As a hitter he has more on the ball than has Olson but can be matched by the clouting power of Young. In all around ability, however, he will find Olson, should Bobo be his opponent, his equal and Randy will have to be close to par to bring back the crown to the British Empire.

There is little that can be said of the London fight as such other than has been outlined above. Humez was determined to remain on his feet and was happy, despite his facial injuries, that he had succeeded.

Randy was chagrined at what he termed the unsportsmanship of fans in booing his efforts. He allowed Humez to make the running, drawing him and jabbing with the left. Only occasionally did Randy use his hook to the body, a punch which Humez tried often to get home but failed because of Randy's impeccable body defense. Occasionally when there was close infighting, it was Humez who took the play away from the Britisher but there was too little even of that to please the spectators.

After four rounds, in which Humez did little but cover his face with hands well up and arms resting against the chest, the crowd became restive. Then came the cut on the bridge of Humez's nose, adding to the slight cut he received in the third under the eye, and the flow of claret from both livened matters a bit. But with solid action missing, hundreds of fans started leaving the arena beginning with the twelfth round. Frank Sinatra and Ava Gardner, his wife, left in the thirteenth and the exodus continued for the next two rounds.

Here's hoping that when Turpin faces his American rival on August 24 he'll open up with all he commands and that the Americans will see a repetition of his performance against Ray Robinson when he won the world crown.

GERMAN BOXING DIARY
By J. A. Tree

GERMAN middleweight champion, Hans Stretz (Erlangen) 73 kilo, beat Antonio Soldervilla (Spain), 71.3 kilo, in eight rounds at Berlin. The towel was thrown in to save Soldervilla from further punishment against Stretz.

Verviers.—Herbert Escher (Germany) KOd Horsch (Belgium) in seven rounds.

Kiel.—Kambitz Sepanlon (Persia), 59 kilo, outpointed Bruno Walkowiak (Germany), 57 kilo, over four rounds. Willi Lauter (Duisburg), 66 kilo, drew with Willi Brandscheit (Magdeburg), 63 kilo, over six rounds. Willi Hentrich (Halberstadt), 71 kilo, was KOd by Karl-Heinz Buecher (Germany), 74 kilo, in two rounds.

Hans Strelecki (Dortmund), 79 kilo, was KOd by Karl Ameisbichler (Austria), 79.5 kilo, in five rounds. Gunter Nurnberg (Hamburg) heavy, KOd Steve McCall (Canada) in two rounds. Ray Schmit (Lux.), 77 kilo, drew with Heinz Sachs (Krefeld), 78 kilo, over eight rounds.

A crowd of almost 3,000 witnessed a grand display of boxing at Essen, where Heinz Gelhaar (Essen), 125, drew with Willi Lauter (Rheinhausen), 130, over six rounds. Ex-amateur Emil Koch (Wuppartal), 137, outpointed a fellow German, Birk, 136, over four rounds.

Leo Starosch (Essen), 138, forced Helmut Werfel (Apolda), 147, to retire in round six. Rudolf Orembk (Moers), 177, lost on points to Brendemuehl (Hamburg) over four three's. Horst Kemena (Dortmund), middle, was KOd by Karl Bucher in one round.

At Wurzburg, Bantamweight champion, Rudi Langer (Berlin), 56.7, kilo., won the vacant feather title by outpointing Karl Pinsdorf (Koeln), 56.5., over twelve rounds. Hans Baumjohann (Dortmund), 79.4, kilo., KO'd Hans Motzelt (Schweinfurt) in four heats. Willibald Koch (Wiesbaden), 54.2., outscored Lewandowski (Hamm), 55.9., over eight rounds.

Lightweight Hans Schomig (Schweinfurt), 58.5 drew with the Italian visitor, Belotit, over six three's. After taking three counts of nine in round two, Mario Scandelli (Italy) was KO'd in heat three by Hans Strelecki (Dortmund). World champion, Sandy Saddler was the third man in the ring.

At La Spezia.—Bobby Warmburnn (Hamburg) beat the Italian, Pellegrini the latter being disqualified in round two.

It looks as if we have seen the last of welter Gustav Scholtz in this country. He will go to the U.S.A. shortly under the management of Hymie Wallman. A sum of $10,000 is reported to have been paid to his German manager, Fritz Gretzschel for the contract. He is the best class boxer (Southpaw) in Germany today.

Copenhagen.—Werner Handtke (Berlin) light and welterweight champion of this country, suffered a set-back which may delay his proposed title bout with European champion Joergen Johanseen when he was outpointed by Allen Tanner over ten rounds.

Munchen Gladbach.—Two thousand six hundred and sixty witnessed a grand program of boxing at the Roller Stadium. Willi Lauter (Rheinhausen), 126, outpointed Jimmy Wilkins (Hamburg), 138, over four rounds. Helmut Werfel (Neuss), 150, beat Fronda (Wanneeickel), 139, the towel being thrown in during round three.

Wilson Kohlbrecher (Osmabruch), 200, beat Gunter Warmbrunn (Hamburg), 186, the latter calling it a day in round two with a broken finger. Heinz Sachs (Krefeld), 146, stopped Rudolp Cremek (Moers), 180, the third man calling a halt in round four. Cremek took counts of 8, 7 ,and 8 in heat three. Mathias Lyuten (Rheinhausen), 144, outpointed Horst Kemena (Dortmund), 145, over six rounds.

Rendsburg.—Boxing at the Nordmarkhalle was witnessed by a crowd of almost 2,500. Sepanlon (Iran), 59 kilo, outscored Wolfgang Bohnert (Berlin) over four rounds. Heinz Schulz (Hamburg) was KO'd by Hentrich (Halberstadt), 74.5 kilo, in two rounds.

Otto Domke (Hamburg), KO'd Bruno Walkowiak (Bremerhaven) in four heats. Amandus Spitzkoft (Hamburg), 67.3 kilo, outpointed Willi Sippman (E Zone), 68 kilo, over six rounds. Ernst Kohlsaat (Hamburg), 62.5, shared points with Heinz Rumke, 62 kilo, over six rounds.

Hagen.—Emil Koch (Wuppertal), 68.2, KO'd Gunter Chomutowski (Hamm) in five rounds. Bruno Junkuhn (Dusseldorf) shared points with Calamari (France) over six rounds. Jacques Lebague (France), 78 kilo, shared points with Winni Henne (Magdeburg), 79.1, over six rounds.

Don Ellis (U.S.A), 78 kilo, outpointed Otto Bastian (Altena) over six rounds. Gert Muller (Dortmund), 62.7., outpointed Marcel Merle, 60.5, (France) over six rounds.

Linz.—Karl Ameisbichler (Austria) KO'd Baumjohann (Dortmund) in two rounds.

A crowd of some 10,000 were disappointed with European and German heavy champion Heinz Neuhaus' (Dortmund) display against Al Hoosman, an American living in Germany, at Munich.

Hoosman was very fit and often made Neuhaus miss whenever the latter turned on the heat, presumably for a KO win. The American ran into a right in round six and although it sent him to the canvas he was up before the count could be started.

Light-heavyweight Giovanni Alfonsette (Italy) was too strong for Gunter Sladky (Dorsten) and the latter's manager, Jupp Besselmann, threw in the towel in round three to stop his man receiving further punishment.

Heavyweight Hugo Salfeld (Koln) beat the Italian Francesco Cavicchi the latter being disqualified in round four for holding.

Vienna.—Luxembourg champion, Kurt Schiegl (Austria) outpointed the German born Werner Wiegand, over ten rounds.

Amsterdam.—Willi Schagen (Holland) outpointed Don Ellis (U.S.A.) over ten rounds. Bruno Junkuhn (Dusseldorf) lost, being disqualified in round three, against Nico Cramer (Holland). The two men were at close quarters, the referee called "break" and Junkuhn threw a right knocking out his opponent. Wim Snoek (Holland) won a KO in 5 over Winnfreid Henne (Dusseldorf).

The Berlin Sportpalast could have been filled twice over so great was the interest for the light-heavyweight championship bout between Germany's cruiser title holder, Gerhard Hecht (Berlin) and middleweight champion Hans Stretz (Berlin).

The fight of the year was anticipated and it was certainly just that and after ten grueling rounds Hecht retained his crown KOing his challenger.

From the first bell Hecht attacked and a right injured Stretz' eye. Three more rights and Stretz was hurt. Yet another right this time to the chin and the middleweight champion was on the canvas and remained there for "nine."

By heat six Stretz' eye was almost closed and it was affecting his timing somewhat. Hecht once again got through with a right which sent his man to the canvas, for a count of seven. He took another count this time one of "six" during this heat.

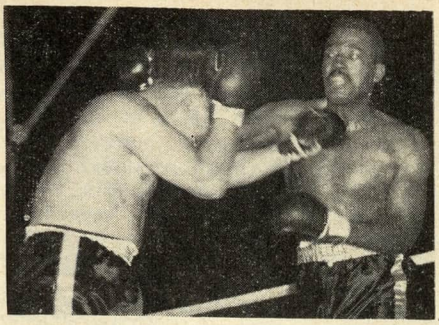
Stretz came out for round nine and with three blows to the chin put Hecht down and the cruiser champion was content to stay there for "nine." The latter took two further visits to the canvas before the bell closed the heat.

Stretz walked into a right counter in the opening seconds of round ten and down he went. Up at "nine," but only to receive a hard right that put him again on the canvas.

Willi Hoepner (Hamburg), light-heavy, knocked out Willi Schagen (Holland) in five rounds.

Toni Gruber (Berlin), heavy, KO'd Nico Cramer (Holland) in three heats. Gunther Nurnberg (Hamburg), heavy, narrowly outpointed Herbert Weise (Berlin), over eight rounds.

Besmannoff (Berlin), drew with Hans Strelecki (Dortmund), over eight rounds.



European heavyweight champion Heinz Neuhaus (left) takes a right to the head from American Al Hoosman during their battle at Dortmund, Germany. Neuhaus won a close split decision after ten rounds.

NOTES FROM AUSTRIA
By Leo Vollnhofer

BERLIN.—Austrian light-heavyweight hope, Karl Ameisbichler, drew in six hard-fought rounds with the up and coming German Will Besmanoff.

Fortunately, the third eye operation on Joe Weidin was successful and the former European heavies champ is able to see with both eyes again.

Bologna.—Taki Ziyiaris, Turkish lightweight, lost an eight rounder to ranking Italian welter, Duilio Bianchini. Bianchini was the more powerful hitter, flooring Taki both in the second and seventh rounds.

Milan.—Alfons Kubes, second ranking Austrian middleweight, was pitted against experienced Carlo Mola of Italy, losing on points after eight rounds.

Vienna.—At the Vienna Ice Rink, the All Star Amateur Teams of Austria and Yugoslavia met for their yearly encounter. After ten hard contested bouts in all weight classes, the match ended with a 10 :10 draw.

Linz, Upper Austria.—Austrian light-heavyweight, Karl Ameisbichler, 176, knocked out the German cruiser, Theo Baumjohann, 176, in the second round with a vicious left hook. The first round went to the German who was able to stagger our boy with several hard rights.

Taki Ziyiaris of Turkey, 138, defeated the former Austrian lightweight champion, Karl Marchart, 137, after six rounds.

Karl Machain, 177, heavyweight novice, and Herbert Waniek, 183, engaged in one of the roughest brawls ever witnessed in an Austrian ring. Machain was disqualified in the fifth round. The verdict was later changed to no contest.

Vienna.—Wiener Eislaufverein, 6000 attending: Kurt Schiegl, 211, fifth ranking European heavyweight, who earlier this year announced his retirement because of managerial troubles, stepped into the ring after a layoff of eight months, with his new manager, Franz Bendak, in his corner, and gained a narrow points decision against the Luxembourg giant, Werner Wiegand, 226, after ten dramatic rounds. The sharp punching Wiegand forced Schiegl to take an eight count in the fifth round but, surprisingly, from then on it was all Schiegl. He had the Luxembourger groggy in the ninth but was unable to throw over a finisher. In the tenth and last round Wiegand was hanging on for dear life and Schiegl was lucky to receive the points verdict.

Alex Stortetzky, 160, and the Italian Falchinelli, 150, fought six dull rounds. A draw verdict was returned.

In another sixer, Taki Ziyiaris, 138, defeated Karl Marchart, 137, again decisively.

Willi Swoboda, 129, Austrian feathers and lightweight champion, knocked out Scardino of Italy, 130, in the third round.

OIL CAPITOL CLOUTS FROM EDMONTON, ALTA.
By Jim Brooke

PROMOTER Jack Berry hit the big time when he had ranking heavyweight, Rex Layne, fight Canadian heavyweight champion Earl Walls, here on June 29 in an outdoor show which promised to draw $100,000.

Earl Walls, 194, kayoed Jack Nelson, 191, of Salt Lake City, in one round at Edmonton, with Rex Layne, Nelson's stablemate looking on. A flailing right hook, high on the temple, was the blow that brought about Nelson's downfall.

Chuck Woodworth, 175, a Brigham University student, lost an eight-round decision to Vern Escoe.

Towering Pietro Alessandrini, 195, an Italian importation, clubbed Gene Ericson, 195, Kinuso, into defeat in the second round. Ericson was down twice in the first stanza. Norm Sigfried, 157, Calgary, absorbed a six-round pasting from Jackie Headon, 157, Edmondton. Sigfried was down for a nine count in the last round.

Bobby Bacon, Edmonton bantamweight making a comeback, decisioned clever flyweight Jersey Joe Edwards in four. Kid Sinclair, 175, Slave Lake, outpunched Jock McLean, 185, Edmonton, to capture a four-round unanimous decision.

JEFFRIES' DEBUT

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We had him covered with the paste and were putting the cotton on his chest when despite his condition, Jeff laughed as he remarked: "Fine job. Getting me ready to look like a Christmas tree."

The doctor laughed out loudly at the remark and said, "Now I know you're going to be well." Jeff was game to the core even in the face of death.

He began to recover rapidly after that treatment. About ten days later, his mother arrived and Jeff was happy to see her though quite surprised that she had learned of his illness. That visit was a real tonic for Jeff loved his parents. When he fully recovered, Jeff went to Santa Catalina where he fished and rested and then went back to the business of fighting. He fought Van Buskirk and knocked him out in the opening round.

WHEN Corbett was training for his fight with Bob Fitzsimmons at Carson City, Nev., in 1897, he wanted a big fellow to help condition him, someone who was husky, could move around and could do some fighting on his own. Jeff had no trouble getting the assignment.

I was with W. W. Naughton a few days after Jeff arrived in Carson City and he told me how Corbett gave Jeff a tryout with only a handful of friends present, including Billy Delaney and Naughton. He told me how Corbett tore into Jeff, smothering him with blows, with no let up for a breathing spell, yet couldn't get anything from the young giant other than a grin.

"Didn't I hurt you," Corbett asked Jeff several times and each time Jeff replied with a grin, "no you didn't."

That riled the champion. Though he accepted Jeffries as a sparring partner, throughout the training period he did all he could to damage Jeff and make the California Boilermaker admit that Gentleman Jim's punches carried a sting.

The experience with Corbett did Jeff a world of good. It woke him up. It made him realize that if he was to get anywhere in his chosen field, he had to work hard to get to the top. Before that he had been prone to take things easy, trusting to luck to pull him out of tight spots. And it was at Carson City where he met Billy Delaney, that astute manager and trainer who handled Corbett and picked Jeff as the next world champion shortly after his first workout with Corbett.

When Jeff got back to San Francisco, he remarked that he thought he could whip Corbett despite the fact as he expressed it, that Gentleman Jim could hit hard and was the cleverest boxer he ever saw. It was shortly after this that Jeff's fight with Van Buskirk took place that resulted in a one-round knockout victory for the Boilermaker.

IN my opinion the hardest fight Jeff had in his early days was with Gus Ruhlin on the Pacific Coast, a contest which ended in a twenty-round draw. It was a fierce encounter with Ruhlin, on my score sheet, ahead at the end of the nineteenth round. He was more experienced and was one of the country's best heavyweights at the time. In the twentieth round, however, Jeffries, urged by his handlers to fight hard, cut loose and dropped Ruhlin twice. The last time he would have been knocked out but the bell came to his rescue. That late rally enabled Jeffries to earn a draw.

Jeffries was exceedingly fond of brother Jack. He thought that Jack could carry the Jeffries' banner in pugilism after Jim's retirement, but he was doomed to disappointment. "The boy is a comer", Jim kept telling his friends. "He can't miss winning the title. He has everything. He'll be better than I am now. I'm grooming him to take my place."

Jeffries took brother Jack with him as a sparring partner and after he had taught him the tricks of the game, Big Jim pitted his brother against third raters with success. Then Jim arranged a fight that ended his brother's career. He matched him with a giant Negro, none other than the man who halted Jim when he attempted his ill-advised comeback in 1910—Jack Johnson.

Johnson had been trying to get Jim into the ring, but without success, and to show his contempt for the Galveston Giant, he suggested that Johnson fight brother Jack. The Galveston Giant quickly accepted and the younger brother, a novice in things pugilistic tackling a big, brawny, clever and sharp-hitting heavyweight like Johnson, was made to look like a raw novice and was knocked out in the fifth round.

That was a bitter pill for Jim, because it was common knowledge in San Francisco that Jim had intended to turn over the title to brother Jack upon retirement and let him keep the championship in the family. He figured that if Jack could whip Johnson, then he could beat Jack Root, Marvin Hart and others seeking the crown. Though many of Jim's friends advised him against his comeback in 1910, there can be no doubt that aside from attempting to regain the crown for the Caucasian race as he hoped, the knockout of brother Jack and the desire to avenge that defeat had much to do with Jim Jeffries' decision to fight Johnson.

BOXING FROM BERMUDA

By Bob Oatway

YET another attempt to revive professional boxing has been made, this time by a new organization who seem to have started on the right foot.

For their main event in the 3,000-seat Mount Langton outdoor stadium, the Island Boxing Association matched Bermuda's heavyweight champion, Ed (Polly) Smith, with Ned Hicks, of New York.

Smith, 174½, returning from a campaign in the U. S., stopped Hicks, 174, in 1:10 of the seventh round. The local boy had Hicks on the verge of a knockout several times in the third round, dropping him on three occasions.

Jojo Moore, 151½, New York City, scored a knockout over Kid McCormick, 148, Bermuda's leading welterweight, in the sixth round.

The four four-round preliminaries were all between Bermuda boys. Kid Congo Wolf, 135, spoiled the pro debut of Raymond Simons, 135, by taking the unanimous decision. Walter Harris, 145, outpointed Hilary Hendrickson, 143, another newcomer, in a close but unanimous bout. "Jigger" Smith, 138, stopped Battling (Eggs) Trott, 133, in the fourth round. Peter (Cyclone) Riley, 161½, spotted Jack Williams 13¼ pounds but pounded out a one-sided decision, in a return bout.

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NEW JERSEY BOXING NEWS

By Lewis Eskin

TWO Jersey boxers who have been called into service are Gene Salisbury, North Bergen welterweight, and State light-heavyweight champion Phil Saxton, of Elizabeth. Phil's last fight saw him end the undefeated skein of Richie James. With the opening of Meadowbrook Bowl, Newark has the only outdoor club in the metropolitan area. Sammy LaRotta, Belleville welterweight who won a Navy citation for heroism, will soon be discharged and back in action. Paterson's fistic followers had a bad month as both of their pride's were beaten, Vince Martinez and Joe Blackwood on successive Fridays at the Garden.

Results of Jersey fighters in out of state rings were: Charley Slaughter beat Houston Brown; Jack Taylor drew with Alex Brown; Willie Coleman beat Joe Fusco; Walter Johnson beat Lou Martino; Jim McMillan stopped Frank Flood; Keene Simmons lost to Ray Wilding; Tony Amato was stopped by Yvon Durelle; Danny Rubino and fellow Jerseyian Pat Best split two decisions; Joe Blackwood lost to Willie Dockery; LeRoy Coleman beat Bobby Copeland; Al Wilson lost to Ramon Fuentes; Jersey Joe Walcott failed to regain his title being kayoed by Rocky Marciano; Don Bowman lost to Armand Savoie; Bud Smith beat Orlando Zulueta and drew with Luther Rawlings; Joe Tomasello lost to Ralph Jones; Phil Saxton beat Richie James; Eddie Dixon drew with Irwin Schultz; Johnny Kamber was stopped by George Justine; Bill Gilliam put up a great fight in losing to Ezzard Charles; Don Ellis beat Otto Bastian and Bruno Junkahn; Vince Martinez lost to Danny Giovanelli; and Ronnie Williams lost to Eddie Williams.

PROSPECT OF THE MONTH.—Harold Carter, 17-year-old Linden high school boy, who was 1953 New Jersey, New York and Inter-City Golden Gloves light-heavyweight champion. In 1952 his only amateur loss came on a disputed decision in the finals to Floyd Patterson. Harold has ability far

above his experience and was very impressive in his pro bow.

Laurel Garden.—Al Warner, 154½, Rochester, N. Y., outmauled Tony Cimmino, 150, Bayonne, in a dull eight. The score was 5–2–1 for Al. Joe Wilkinson, 124, Washington, D. C., looked good in easily winning from Guillermo Roberts, 126, Havana, 6. Charley Drexler, 136, Bayonne, got off the deck twice to stop John Smith, 143, Paterson, 3. Buddy Fondt, 135, Bayonne, edged out Ray Collins, 141, Newark, 4; and John Maresca, 128, Paterson, beat Murph Daley, 122, Easton, Pa., 4.

Joe Wilkinson, 122½, Washington, kayoed Guillermo Roberts, 127, Havana, 5. Russell Sesson, 199, Newark, kayoed Mack Andrews, 192, Philadelphia, 3. Ray Collins, 142, Newark, halted Tommy Farrell, 145, Jersey City, 3. Johnny Long, 136, Elizabeth outscored Billy Green, 139, Westfield, 4. Tim Jones, 159, Plainfield, looked impressive in kayoing Pete Nelson, 164, Atlantic City, 1.

Pete Adams, 150, Newark, got the break of a lifetime when he stopped Jay Anderson, 150, Philadelphia, at the end of the fifth round due to a bad cut over Jay's left eye. Anderson was winning all by himself, till one of Pete's right hand bombs did the trick. Henry Gorman, 148½, Paterson, and Joe Serafini, 148½, Newark, battled to a draw, 6. Luth McDermott, 178, Paterson, scored his third straight one-round kayo when he flattened Young Unknown Winston, 180, Passaic. George Allen, 123, Paterson, won over Frank DeVito, 120, Brooklyn, 4. John Bianneillo, 138, Philadelphia, stopped Jimmy McLaughlin, 137, Newark, 2. Bobby Biolsi and Andy Dinetta, a pair of 60 pounders from the Rahway P.A.L., put on a good bout, and Lew Greenberg and Bill Miller of Newark boxed a three round comedy bout, with Chang Collura, the referee getting the worst of it. This show was for the Joey Lupo fund. Joey is the fine young boxer from Lodi who was stricken with polio last winter. Over $1,000 was raised for him.

Bobby Fenty, 135, New York, outpointed Jimmy Watkins, Jr., 139, New London, Conn., 8. Russell Sesson, 204, Newark, scored over Ernie Sheppard, 194, Orange, 6. Roland Thompson, 170, Newark, beat Jimmy Maxwell, 171, Brooklyn, 4. Al Certismo, 136, Hoboken, stopped Buddy Fondt, 134, Bayonne, 4. Charley Drexler, 136, Bayonne, kayoed, Vito Calvito, 139, Orange, 1.

The Saturday night ABC-TV fights stopped off in Newark and despite a good card only 500 fans turned out for a very disappointing showing. Joe Giardello, 159, ranking Philadelphian, ran into a lot of trouble before beating Hurley Sanders, 158, Newark. Joe was cut over the left eye in the first and the right eye in the ninth. Sanders was floored in the seventh at the bell, and again in the ninth. The vote was 7–2–1.

Monroe Kurtz, 148, Newark, decisioned Willie Sydnor, 148, Tuckahoe, N. Y., in 8. Harold Carter, 179, Linden, the National Golden Glove champion, made his pro bow in a big way by belting Joey Rowan, 172, Philadelphia to win a six-round decision. Tim Jones, 159, Plainfield, defeated Sid Barry, 159, Paterson, 4. Tommy Shortell, 151, Jersey City, won over Tony Racine, 146, Quebec, 4. George Patunas, 122, Bayonne, outfought Victor Torres, 117, Puerto Rico, 4.

Meadowbrook Bowl.—Terry Young, 134, veteran East Side, New Yorker, was the victim of some very bad refereeing by Gene Roman when his fight with Felix Redundo, 134, Bayonne, was stopped in 1:51 of the eighth and last round. Terry who was out in front in a bloody battle was tired but unhurt when Roman stopped it.

Eddie Dixon, 159, Newark, wiped out a draw from his record by stopping Harvey Lammers, 162, New Bedford, Mass., in the third. Jesse Baker, 156, Perth Amboy, kayoed Sanford Bulla, 150, N.Y.C., 1. Johnny Long, 136, Elizabeth, and Billy Green, 133, Westfield, boxed to a pleasing draw, 4. Joe Garcia, 127, Brooklyn, outfought John Maresca, 128, Paterson.

BROADCAST FROM NEW YORK

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was stumbling around after his fourth trip to the canvas. He had previously been down once in the first and twice in the second. Patterson's Olympic teammate, Tony Anthony, 151, Harlem, didn't look too impressive in winning from Jimmy Champagne, 150, Philadelphia, in the semi-final eight. Carmelo Costa, 132¼, Brooklyn, needed only two seconds short of one complete round to demolish John Donaldson, 128¼, Philadelphia, in a scheduled six. In fours, Frank (Paddy) Flood, 142½, Yorkville, outpointed Billy Warren, 142, Brooklyn; Eddie Williams, 147, Brooklyn, decisioned Ronnie Williams, 147¾, Harlem; Walter Kapa, 144, Brooklyn, whipped Joe Pepe, 146, Coney Island, and Frank Savino, 176¾, Harlem, kayoed Vincent Smith, 180, Peekskill, N. Y., at 1:46 of the second.

A newcomer hereabouts, Moses Ward, 159¾, Detroit, made an auspicious debut by polishing off lanky Wilfredo Miro, 158¾, Cuba, at 1:36 of the second, in the semi-final to the Willie Pep-Pat Marcune affair in Madison Square Garden. The stocky aggressive Detroiter packed too much power for Miro and had him down twice before the lop-sided thing was halted with the Cuban helpless on the ropes. Henry Winchman, 141, East Side, had too much of a left hand for Phil Morizio, 140, Yorkville, in six. Squaring accounts for a previous defeat in the same ring, Ike Jenkins, 147½, Harlem, edged out Teddy Antonetti, 144, Puerto Rico, in another six. In fours, Billy Lepido, 148, Bronx, outfought Tommy Dixon, 147, Harlem, and Johnny Busso, 138½, East Side, suffered his first professional defeat in eleven starts, when he lost to Tommy Marciano, 139½, Philadelphia. The gross gate totalled $9,681, contributed by an attendance of 3,571.

With an aggressive, but clumsy, style Roland (Mickey) Laurent, 158, France, made things a bit uncomfortable in the early rounds for Ralph Jones, 155½, Yonkers, but once Jones figured the right answers he had little trouble winning the decision in ten, at Eastern Parkway. Laurent, whose footwork resembled a ballerina trying to dance with two left feet, was dangerous with his looping rights and nailed Jones with three of them in the second. One sent Ralph reeling across the ring, another buckled his knees, and the third stunned him on the ropes as the round ended. After that, however, Jones settled down and gave the Frenchman a good going-over. Bobby Fenty, 133¾, Harlem, outpointed Damasco Collaza, 135½, Cuba, in the semi-final six. In another six, Jimmy Carlini, 147½, Philadelphia, decisioned Wes Lowery, 146, Allentown, Pa. In fours, Andy Taddy, 145½, Bronx, won from Paul Destino, 150, Brooklyn; Vince Biondoletti, 128½, Brooklyn, whipped Johnny Gilson, 131, Broad Channel, and Joe Fusco, 152, Waterbury, Conn., drew with Joe Lissy, 149, Yorkville.

A couple of promising kids only a few years ago, but now a pair of jaded veterans, Jimmy Herring, 159, Ozone Park, and Sal DiMartino, 154, Hartford, Conn., staged a get-together party at Ridgewood Grove, and at the end of ten dull rounds the decision went to Herring. It was a dreary affair, with Herring relying mainly on his long left to keep a slow, sluggish DiMartino at long range. The Nutmeg Stater was in tough shape toward the finish, but managed to last by clutching. Johnny Biancaniello, 135½, Philadelphia, whipped Earl Dennis, 140¼, Wilmington, Del., in the semi-final six. Tommy Dixon, 148, Long Island City, won from Mike Colucci, 146½, Corona, in another six. In fours, Jimmy Meehan, 139½, East Side, outpointed Frank Andrillon, 140, Brooklyn, and Garry Garafola, 171¼, Jersey City, posted the only knockout on the card, when he stopped Pete Taro, 171, Brooklyn, at 2:04 of the second.

AFTER THE BELL. . . . Babe Picato, younger of the rugged California brothers (Frank was the other), who fought the best of the lightweights back around the World War I era, is ill at Rancho Los Amigos Hospital, in Hondo, California and would appreciate hearing from some of the veteran fans who may recall his battles with Frankie Russel, Eddie Wallace, Rocky Kansas, Frankie Callahan, George (K.O.) Chaney, Joe Welling, Artie Root and that crowd.

Jersey Joe Walcott's sitdown strike, in Chicago, topped probably the shortest heavyweight title cards in recent history. Knockouts were scattered all over the premises in supporting bouts. Only one match, a six went its full route. Besides the main event, the semi-final and one of the prelims were one-round jobs. A total of 43 scheduled rounds in all melted down to 50 minutes, 25 seconds of assorted action, or less than 17 complete rounds. Who said inflation?

Marty Postal, who promoted at the 160th Regiment drillshed in Brooklyn during the lush days of National Guard Armory boxing hereabouts, was fatally injured recently by a train, at Bay Shore, Long Island.

All the world may love a winner, but there's some affection for a loser, too. Consider the popularity of Filberto Osario with matchmakers. It's practically headline news when Osario wins, yet he's one of the most industrious performers hereabouts. In a recent spell of less than three and a half months, the Puerto Rican feather crowded in a total of eleven bouts, with one win and two draws as his best accomplishments.

Having partially recovered from the ordeal of trying to manage Joe Baksi, Natie Wolfson is back in circulation as Eastern representative of Phil Kim, colorful Korean-Hawaiian welterweight.

Just in passing—exactly a quarter of a century has slipped by since Gene Tunney's last appearance in ring action. It was on July 26, 1928, that Gene battered Tom Heeney into an eleventh-round kayo at Yankee Stadium and announced his retirement the following day.

NEW YORK STARS ON TV

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1927, in Canastota, N. Y., is one of 11 children, having six brothers and four sisters. Raised on the family onion farm, he turned to boxing while in high school. As an amateur he won 11 of 14 bouts and in 1944 won the Adirondack Golden Glove lightweight title.

He joined the Marines in 1945 and served two years in the Pacific, 16 months on Gaum, and 8 months in Hawaii. Although he did some boxing while stationed in the islands, he did not compete in service tournaments.

Following his discharge, he worked for a while on the farm but soon tired of that life and turned to a boxing career. His pro debut was in November of 1948. He quickly moved into the main bout class, as he lost only 2 of his first 24 starts, winning 11 by kayos. A tough, two-fisted slugger, who learned his trade well, he has never been stopped. Basilio has won 35 of his 49 bouts, 18 by kayos, and drew in four. Carmen holds wins over Vic Cardell, Billy Graham, Ike William, Eddie Giosa, Carmine Fiore, Sammy Giuliani, Lew Jenkins, Gaby Ferland, Jackie O'Brien, Chuck Foster and Sammy Daniels. In his bout with Chuck Davey he was declared the winner in the ring, only to have the commission change it to a draw the next day after finding an error in the referee's score.

Carmen, who has been married since 1950, feels that he has now hit his stride and the New York title is only the first step towards the world's crown. This gentlemanly battler is on the right trail and in the fistic spotlight.

NEWS OF THE MAT WORLD

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the ring to finish it on the mat.

Don Evans, the New Yorker, made it straight falls over the Frenchman Andre Drapp, Rematched from a Chicago television date, the pair mixed 21:28 until Evans scored on a pile-driver. Once, the rough Evans was thrown out of the ring and attempted to re-enter with a steel folding chair. At another point in the match, he chased a hostile fan around the aisles. Eduardo Perez and Alo Leilani wrestled to a 20-minute draw in a well fought match.

A few of the other name wrestlers who have appeared in Sioux City this season include Bob McCune, Bill McDaniel, Ronnie Etchison, Hans Schmidt, Yukon Eric, Pat O'Connor, Mike DeBiase, Gypsy Joe, Chest Bernard, Bob Orton, Lou Thesz, Mighty Goliath, Antonio Rocca, John Balbo, Bobby Lane, Red Berry and Bill Melby.

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES
By Tom Ephrem

HENRY (PAPPY) GAULT, 117¾, edged towards a world title tilt with champion Jimmy Carruthers after successfully defending his North American bantamweight crown with a ten-round technical knockout over Manny Castro, 117½, at Spartanburg, S. C. Gault, from Spartanburg, paved way for the win in the ninth when he landed with both hands to the face and head nearing the close that had the Mexican on the groggy side. The effect from these punches refrained Manny from coming out for the tenth. Gault had a left hand working non-stop and it kept Manny off-balance most of the time.

Naaman Peck, 160, Augusta, Ga., knocked out Rufus Pressley, 157, Spartanburg, in the second round. Bobby Lawrence, 155, Durham, N. C., TKO'd Gerald Hester, 155, Spartanburg, in five. Charles Alexander, 135, Greenville, whipped Jimmy Barnett, 135, Simpsonville, in a sixer.

More than 4,500 fans who sat in at the heavyweight match at Fort Hesterly Arena in Tampa will be willing to back up the future of their prospect, Cleve (Cleveland) Williams after his ten-round ordeal with the experienced Cuban, Omelio Agramonte, 196, here. They saw the 19-year-old, 204 pound heavyweight hope dish it out for more than five rounds and then weather the storm that in the late rounds had him hanging on for dear life. Yet considering his short experience in the pro game, Williams stood up well and bravely.

Working his left jab like a piston, keeping Omelio off-balance with it and offering a superb defense in the first half, Cleve had things pretty much his own way. In the fifth, he gave the Cuban a bad drubbing. In the round earlier, he dropped Agramonte to his knees, a right cross landing in the middle of the round. With the sixth, Agramonte's hard lefts and rights tried to overcome the William's margin.

In the semi-final, an eighter, Jimmy Jewell, Miami and Birmingham, and Al (Kid) McCoy, fought to a draw. Oscar Pharo, 195, Birmingham, beat Big Bill Wilson, 220, Hickory, N. C., in a sixer. Rocky Randell, 134, Tampa, outfought Whitey Allen, 137, Green Cove Navy Station, in a slam-bang sixer that the crowd loved. Lou Perez, 138, Havana and Tampa, knocked out Bob Ritter, 135, Jacksonville and Cleveland Ohio, in the fourth. Al Garcia promoted.

Harold Johnson, 176, a leading light-heavyweight contender from Philadelphia, didn't have too much competition from Toxie Hall, 190, when they met in the ten-round main event at the Dinner Key Auditorium in Miami, but he was able to show the fight folks samples of his punching ability while gaining an easy decision over the dead-game Chicagoan who didn't know what the word "quit" meant.

Jimmy Morris, 154, Miami, grabbed a ten-round decision over Jimmy Champagne, 149, Philadelphia. Jay Anderson, 148, Philadelphia, scored a two-round TKO over Tommy Hatcher, 144½ of Pensacola and Daytona Beach. Basil Marie, 138½, West Virginia, took a split ten rounder in a good, hard fight from Baby Joe Diaz, 136. Tampa. Joe Schaefer promoted and Jimmy White did the matchmaking.

Before 700 customers, Ray Delgado, 147, Tampa and Havana, punched out a five-round TKO over Buddy Frazier, 142, Miami, in the main event at Tampa. Bob Robinson, 156, Tampa, beat Sonny Hope, 160, St. Petersburg, in the six-semi. Tommy Hatcher, of Pensacola and Daytona Beach, TKO'd Joe Ludlow, 145, Toledo, in four. Al (Kid) McCoy, 137, MacDill Field, kayoed Sonny Atkins, 136, Daytona Beach. Bobby Yantis, 132, kayoed Monroe Campbell, 135, Mulberry. Mrs. Gloria Yantis won a four from Sarah Harris, in a women's bout. Sarah was announced as from Toledo.

Pete Noka, Miami, defeated Baby Joe Diaz, of Tampa, in the ten-round main event at Tampa. The fighters threw gloves galore and Noka's win was a splitter. Eddie Pulido, 140, Tampa, TKO'd Tommy Hatcher, of Pensacola and Daytona Beach, 141, when the latter fell out of the ring and hurt his knee after missing with a wild punch. Charlie Clark, 155, Tampa, TKO'd Bobby James, 160, Tampa, in three. Richard Holling, 135, St. Petersburg, won on a foul in the fifth round from Bob Yantis, 135, of Daytona Beach. Kid Golden and Bobby Graham, each at 138, and both from Tampa, drew in a four.

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Referee Young Raymond, seeing a blow by Ray Delgado really hurt Pete Noka, stopped the bout in the third round to give Delgado a TKO over the Miamian, at Tampa. Lou Perez, Tampa, TKO'd Tommy Hatcher, Pensacola and Dayonta Beach. George Leto, Tampo, kayoed Tom Rocamora, Tampa, in round two. Charlie Clark, 154, Tampa, TKO'd Buddy James, 160, Tampa, in the fourth round.

With both fighters concentrating strictly on their pet punches, Harry Braelow's, 151¼, left was superior to Jackie LaBua's, 151¾, right in the course of a ten-round topper at Miami Beach and Braelow managed to take a split win over Jake LaMotta's protege. A knockdown in the first helped the Miami Beach boy in this battle of prospects. The bout was well received but the crowd, 1,713, saved the best for Miami's own air hero, Captain Manuel Fernandez when the jet ace was introduced.

In other bouts, scheduled for ten rounds each, Richie (Kid) Howard, 136½, Halifax, N. S., decisioned Al Villafarro, 140, New Orleans. Oscar Pharo, 190½, Birmingham, got a TKO triumph over George Fisch, 188¾, Oaklawn, Wis., in the fifth after dropping Fisch twice. Willie Ferguson, 162, Miami, was an easy victor over Harold Darlington, 159, Greenville, S. C. Chris Dundee promoted.

The boxing game in Jacksonville made an effort to return and while it wasn't a winning venture, the matchmaker, Hymie Levine, was not disappointed. Featuring Billy Brown, of Hartford and Jacksonville, and Jimmy Jewell, of Miami and Birmingham, Levine found a new attraction in Jewell who won an easy ten-round decision over the classy and popular Brown. Jewell's long lefts, and right crosses, and left hooks to the body were continuous in the ten heats. Each tipped 165.

Bobby Yantis, 134, Daytona Beach and Charleston, won a sixer from Bob Ritter, 132, Green Cove Springs Navy, and Cleveland. Little David (Davey Seabrooke), 135, Jacksonville, decisioned Eugene Ricks, 141, Daytona Beach, 6; Whitey Allen, 133, Green Cove Navy, whipped Billy Bullis, 130, Jax, 4; Earl Wilkerson, 153, Jax, whipped Ulysses Washington, 146, Daytona Beach, in a four rounder.

Manager Pete Leto protested our column saying Jimmy Burns was held to a draw by Bobby Lawrence in the June issue of *The Ring* Magazine, which was information we received by Lawrence's manager John Cox. According to Leto, Jimmy Burns whipped Lawrence in the eight-round bout, also had Lawrence on deck a few times to boot. The Augustan is a good prospect.

At Macon, Ga., Bobby Evans, 130, defeated Cecil Deal, 136, Macon, in a good six-round bout that was full of action. Bill Marsh, 146, Pensacola, defeated James Elliott, 143, Macon, in another sixer and like the first mentioned bout provided plenty of fireworks. Evans outfought Deal in the last two rounds for a split decision. Marsh dropped Elliott in the fifth for a compulsory eight-count and got a spilt verdict. Bobby Lopez, 155, Columbus, Ga., didn't mind Lou Valino sporting a twelve-pound weight advantage and after dropping Lou in the third, the fight was stopped in the following round by Referee Jackie Cranford. Jo Tunney, 142, Atlanta, same home as Valino's, scored a kayo in the second over Sonny Hurt, 140, Nashville.

Wallace (Bud) Smith, 138¾, the Cincinnati crowd-pleaser, waged another of his aggressive battles here and wound up with another draw, this time against Luther Rawlings, 143¾, of Chicago, in one of the best fights seen at this world-famous resort. The fans, 1,963, knew it too, and they didn't hold back the applause as Smith and Rawlings flailed away just about the entire ten heats. Smith took over the first part of the action with both hands to the head and body. Rawlings then returned with his good boxing ability and a right cross with authority in the closing half. The ninth was tops as Smith came back with some of his power after Luther had him in a bad way.

Harvey Fellon, 160, New Orleans, whipped Art Thayer, 155, Brockton, in an eight that got better as the fight progressed. Al Villafarro, 145, New Orleans, bested Bob Robinson, 151, Tampa, in a sixer, the best of the prelim bouts. Bobby Leonard, 155, Miami, defeated Grady Maylor, 151, Meridian, Miss., in four. Rocky Randell, 131, Tampa, won a four-round decision over Carlos Savadre, 128, New Orleans, Chris Dundee promoted. The gate was $4,316.

A fair crowd saw "Red" Cameron, 195, former University of Miami football star and heavyweight boxer, defeat Jack Harding, 203, of Buffalo, N. Y., in the ten-round main event at Jacksonville. The verdict was all favorable to Cameron who used a good left hand for his margin of victory.

Eddie Sherman, 161, Jacksonville and St. Marys, Ga., TKO'd Tommy Peavy, 157, Jax, in three. Bob Ritter, 134, Green Cove Springs Navy, decisioned Johnny Mango, 140, Jax, in four. Earl Wilkerson, 153, Jacksonville prospect with a possible good future, stopped Joe Lorie, 154, Jax, in one.

There are some boxers who put forth their best efforts when stung, sometimes dropped. Eddie Springer, of Coral Gables, is one of them. In a ten-rounder with Art Thayer, 156½, at Miami Beach, Eddie was felled twice by Thayer's heavy hitting. But each time Springer came back fighting. Thayer used a left and right to connect for the first down in the third and a leftie to the midsector in the sixth. They only seemed to arouse Springer and the 160 nephew of U of M boxing coach Billy Regan became more determined. In the end, it was Eddie who appeared fresher and Art the less fortunate.

The 2,001 fans witnessed a real brawl in the Jackie LaBua-Johnny Cerky clash. Jackie, 152¼, New York City, won the nod after both boys were cut above the eyes. Cerky, 153¼, Des Moines, was warned for butting by Ref Eddie Coachman. LaBua's harder punching told.

Hy Meltzer, 139, of Miami Beach, got up from a fifth-round knockdown and went on to win a ten-round decision from Candido Gonzales, 136, of Havana, Cuba. Meltzer boxed nicely and used both hands to good advantage in claiming this one. Another furious affair was the tenner between Harry Braelow, 160, and Baby Williams, 159. Braelow was the unanimous winner. Williams was dropped in the first with a left but bounced up to make it very interesting for Harry there on. Chris Dundee promoted.

One of the smallest fight crowds in the history of Tampa boxing, 267, viewed a "knockout" card here. Every bout on the six-fight program failed to last it's distance. Charlie Clark, 146½, Tampa, kayoed Eugene Rakes, (probably meant for Ricks), of Daytona Beach, in the third. Bobby Yantis, 137, Daytona Beach, TKO'd Buck Johnson, 130, of Mulberry, in two. Williard Tomlinson, a policeman from Winter Haven, pro debuted and TKO'd Marine Johnny Johnson in the second. An exhibition ended in a one-round knockout for Al (Kid) McCoy, 146, MacDill Air Force, over Bobby Graham, 145, Tampa. Tommy Hatcher, 146, Daytona Beach and Pensacola, was too experienced for Jimmy Rice, 148, of St. Petersburg, and knocked him out with a hard right to the stomach in the second. Sam Muscato, 167, Buffalo, kayoed Eddie Outlaw, 167, a Marine, in the fourth.

Tommy Gomez, who started out promoting for a Tampa fight club a few months ago, has tossed in the towel and moved out to devote his time to his business. Gomez is a former heavyweight contender from Tampa.

In a tame ten-rounder at Miami Beach, Bobby Elliott, 149, Hialeah and Louisville, and Sal DiMartino, 151, Hartford, toddled to a draw. Harry Braelow, 160¾, started off well and used his experience to set back the late rallying Eddie Springer, 159, Coral Gables, in a ten-round semi-final.

A good six-round draw found Skippy Yoham, 150, Miami and Whitt Bowden, 148, Norfolk, swapping broadsides. Honey Boy Williams, 134½, Marlin, Texas, drew with Jimmy Ford, 136, of Miami, in a six. Fred Maby, 136½, New York City, ended all even in four rounds with Pete Noka, 140¼, Miami. Chris Dundee promoted. The crowd, 1,843, and the gate, $4,152.

Promoter Saul Weingeroff came up with something completely different in boxing circles down here and he matched the wives of two boxers in a four-round bout at Daytona Beach. Mrs. Gloria Yantis, 125, wife of Bobby Yantis, met Mrs. Dot Hatcher, 127, wife of Tommy Hatcher, and Gloria won a close decision. In the husband clash, Yantis and Hatcher, 137 and 144, respectively, travelled to a draw. Eugene Ricks, 139 pounder from DB, scored a first round TKO over S/Sgt. Clyde Austin, 138. Reddy Lewis, 145, National Gardens, TKO'd Cpl. Biff Johnson, 146, in one. Mickey (Wildcat) McNeil, 165, TKO'd Cpl. Eddie Outlaw, 163, U. S. Marines, in three. Ulysses Washington, 148, whipped Ernest (Raven) Williams, 147, to even the score with the latter.

Returning the girls, Promoter Saul Weingeroff pitted Mrs. Gloria Yantis, 127, and Mrs. Dot Hatcher, 129, at Daytona Beach, and this time they fought to a draw. Bobby Yantis, 135, held Eugene Ricks, 139, to a draw. S/Sgt. Clyde Austin, 137, U. S. Marines, de-

feated Kid Johnston, 135; Ulysses Washington, 145, TKO'd Jack Arnsdorff, 150; Mickey McNeil, 160, TKO'd The Panther, 160, in four.

Jimmy White is doing the matchmaking for Joe Schaefer Sports Enterprises, at Miami, after Lew Raymond passed away. . . . Billy Brown announced his retirement from boxing after dropping a tenner to Jimmy Jewell at Jacksonville. . . . Saul Weingeroff, Daytona Beach promoter, says a DB paper didn't tell all when it stated Yantis picked up money thrown into the ring from customers as the most he got. Saul informs, Bobby also received $50 for his six-round bout. Our source of info on fights comes from clippings and we wrote what we read. If Saul is right and the paper is wrong, this is for correction in name of fair play. . . . Dykes Thurman, the Camp Pickett fight figure, celebrated his twenty-sixth year in boxing and wants to be in there at least another 24 or longer. Thurman has been a great help to servicemen boxing and especially to the men who are hospitalized. He brings the boxing shows there.

BOXING IN HOUSTON, TEXAS

Harlan Haas

RINGSIDE CLUB, Houston.—Joe Vasquez, 136, Houston, decisioned Bobby Carter, 144, San Antonio soldier, in the fast eight-round main event. Rocky Romair, 139, Houston, stopped Bill Cummings, 142, Ellington Field, in the third round. Don Parks, 152, Alvin, iced George Reyna, 147, Victoria, in the second round.

Ringside club, Houston.—Oneal Crocker, 175, the veteran Houston lightheavy, lost an eight-round decision to Billy LeBlanc, 165, the New Orleans Frenchman. Crocker was making his first start after almost two years on the shelf. Jimmy DelEon, 158, Houston, stopped Dennis Woodbury, 155, San Antonio, in the fifth round. DelEon was making his initial appearance since being discharged from the Air Corp.

Three four rounders completed the card. Johnny McCray, 145, Birmingham, trounced Terry Smith, 143, Detroit. Huey Deville, 159, Monroe, La., came out even in his battle with Bernard Smith, 160, Port Arthur; and Paul Jorgeson, 126, Port Arthur, took the nod over Bobby Henry, 125, Dallas.

City auditorium, Houston.—Bobby Dykes, the tall Texan from San Antonio, defeated Pete Gil, 158, of Austin, taking the unanimous ten-round decision. Dykes threw a right uppercut that caught Gil coming in during the waning seconds of the eighth round, and stepped back as the Austin boy fell forward on his face. Pete took a nine count, and fought the remainder of the round on rubber legs.

An anticipated $6,000 house, was cut to $4,600, by old man weather.

Johnny McCray, 145, Birmingham, took the six-round semi-windup from Robert Martinez, 152, San Antonio, and looked very sharp in doing so. Stanley Jones, 158, Houston, overcame some rough moments in the first round, to clobber Al Raymond, 165, Philadelphia, in a real good five rounder. Raymond is a Korean wounded war vet now stationed at Fort Hood, and was a former national A.A.U. champ out of Philly. Paul Jorgeson, 128, the little Port Arthur Buzzsaw, decisioned Israel Garcia, 129, San Antonio, in a whale of a four rounder. Garcia was decked three times, but came up swinging each time. Otho Sligar, 140, Houston, kayoed Al Perry, 140, Pasadena in the first, and Terry Smith, 143, Detroit, stopped Butre Alvarez, 142, Houston, who was unable to answer the bell for the fourth round.

Ringside Club, Houston.—There was rejoicing in the little community of Cut and Shoot as their illustrious son, the barefooted walloper, Tobe Harris, 156, decisioned Billy LeBlanc, 160, of New Orleans in the eight-round main attraction. LeBlanc was decked for the first time in Houston, when his jaw met that good Harris right hand.

Johnny McCray, 144, Birmingham, walloped Tino Longoria, 153, Houston, in the semi-final five. Paul Jorgeson, 128, Port Arthur, stiffened the hard punching Jimmy Kinnard, 132, Houston, in the second round with a short right hook to the chin. Manuel Escamilla, 144, Galveston, decisioned Otho Sligar, 139, Houston, and Bobby Henry, 126, Dallas, drew with Ed Ruiz, 127, Houston, in fours.

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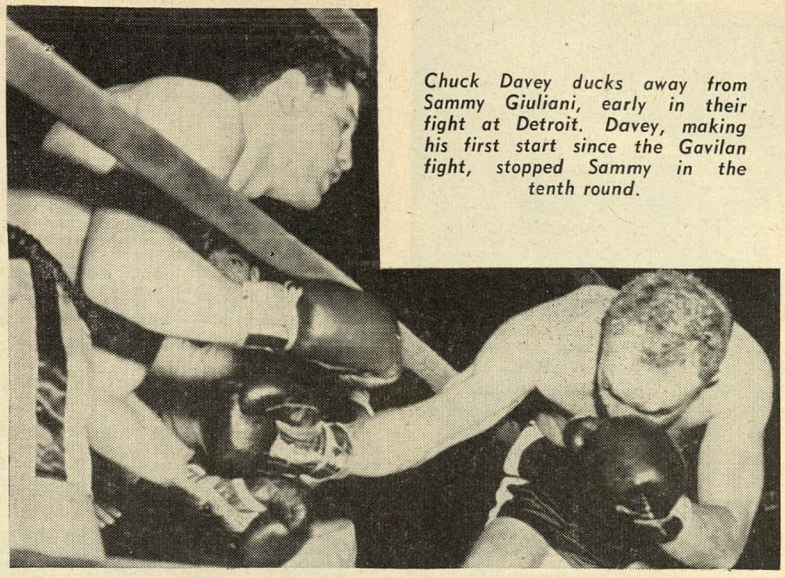

Chuck Davey ducks away from Sammy Giuliani, early in their fight at Detroit. Davey, making his first start since the Gavilan fight, stopped Sammy in the tenth round.

COVERING NEW ENGLAND

By Charlie Longo

BOSTON, Mass.—Dynamite Joe Rindone, Roxbury, Mass., middleweight, punched out a ten-round decision over Pierre Langlois, of Paris, France. It was one of the best fights seen in Boston for quite some time. The Roxbury boy came in at 161½, after sweating off a pound in a boiler room at the insistence of the Langlois entourage at the commission weigh-in at 2 o'clock. The Frenchman was 160. Joe belted his man with a very strong right cross near the end of round one and at the end of the second smashed the Frenchman into a corner with a two-handed barrage which brought the claret streaking down Langlois' classic features.

Only 2,492 fans witnessed the bout.

In the semi-final, Charlie Goldman's protege, Tommy Tibbs, 126, New England's busiest fighter, won a ten-round split decision over featherweight Tony Say, of Paris. Boston welterweight, Billy McIntyre unanimously decisioned Jimmy Wilkie, Boston, over 4 rounds. Danny Josephs, 135, New Bedford, TKO'd Pat Kelly, Boston, 136, in two rounds. Dick Tobin, heavyweight from Dorchester, outpointed Lou Thrascher, Boston (4). Cliff Brown, Boston heavyweight, outpointed Tommy (Ding Dong) Bell, Boston (4).

Fall River, Mass.—Harold Gomes, 121, Providence, outpointed Filberto Osario, 127, Puerto Rico (10). Steve Tomassi, 160, Philadelphia, kayoed Allan Turner, 160, Brockton, (1).

Branford, Conn.—Michael G. Laich, 71, who as a professional boxer fought Jack Johnson in 1906, died in the hospital of St. Raphael, New Haven, after a long illness. Laich, who suffered a broken right wrist in his fight with Johnson, was active in the promotion of semi-professional football, baseball, softball, and basketball.

Fall River, Mass.—Tony Anthony, 158, New York, kayoed Johnny Brown, New York, 159, in the second round at the Fall River Casino. Allan Turner, 157, Brockton, was a TKO winner over Vince Brown, 154, Providence, in the sixth round.

Paul Roach, 138, Boston, was a unanimous winner over Norman Shaw, 145, Fall River, in a six rounder. Cliff Brown, 122, Boston, defeated Jackie Larkin, 122, Fall River, TKO in (3). Toby Silvia, 153, Boston, outpointed Roland Thibault, 154, Fall River (4).

Worcester, Mass.—Crew-cut and classy Paul Roach, Rosindale, Mass., fresh from three years in the service and with Air Force, returned to the Mechanics Hall Ring with a four-round TKO triumph over powerful Pat Kelly of Lawrence. Rocky Petrole, 162, Worcester, outpointed Johnny Mayhew, 160, Worcester (4). Jimmy Wilkie, 137, Boston, TKO'd Frankie Dias, 139, Fall River (2). Frankie Savino, 140, Providence, outpointed Skippy Rogers, 146, Worcester (4).

Portland, Maine.—Joe Grimard, 152, Bath, Me., won from Johnny McDonough, 155, Boston, in the eighth round of a scheduled ten, which ended a savage duel. Babe McCarron, Bangor, 151½, outpointed Billy Farmer, 158, Boston (6). Drew Cook, 157, Belfast, TKO'd Ray Carpenter, 147, Waterville (3). Dennis O'Brien, 155, Belfast, TKO'd John Pemberton, 149, Bath (4). Red Moulton, 123, Saco, won a unanimous decision over Dick Butts, 119, Portland, in four.

Boston, Mass.—Johnny Gonsalves, 135¼, of Oakland, Calif., was awarded a split decision over Paddy DeMarco, 138½, Brooklyn, at Mechanics Building. The decision brought the 1,428 fans storming about the ring in protest. Judge Jim Carrig voted 100–93 in favor of DeMarco. Judge Jim Shaughnessy's card favored Gonsalves 98–93 and referee Ed McDonald voted 98–95 for the West Coast fighter. DeMarco, who acted like a bull, chased Gonsalves all over the ring. In the fifth round DeMarco carried Gonsalves into his corner and was hammering away before referee McDonald stepped in to warn DeMarco about low blows.

Paul Holman, up and coming youngster from Boston, 141, won a split decision over Billy Mays, 135½, Boston, (4). Bill Collins, 154½, Springfield, national 1952 champion, scored a technical knockout over Willie Gray, 148½, Boston, in two rounds. Joe Guzzetti, 132½, Watertown and Don Puopol, 129 fought a four-round draw.

In the gnal ten rounder, Wilbur Wilson, 138½, Roxbury, stopped Armando Armanini, of Italy, in the eighth round.

Portland, Maine.—Terry Ryan, 146¼, retained his state welterweight title at the Expedition Building with a split-decision victory over Larry Griffin, 144½, Lewiston, in a ten-round bout. Bob Blowers, 226, Portland, and Bill Handley, 186, fought to a draw in the six-round semi-final. Bobby Howe, 154, Biddeford, kayoed Drew Cook, 156, Belfast, in three rounds. Red Moulton, 122, Biddeford, kayoed Dick Butts, 123, Portland, in four. Ray Carpenter, 146, Waterville, outpointed Dennis O'Brien, 153, Seaport (4).

Johnny Indrisano is going over great in the movies as technical advisor for many studios in Hollywood. His brother, Albert (Shoot The Bird) Indrisano, is set director for Columbia Studio. Jerry Indrisano, another brother, who also has done some boxing, is training fighters at the Main St. Gym in Los Angeles.

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IOWA, SOUTH DAKOTA SPARKS

By Bill Hawkins

ONAWA, Iowa, boxers won the team trophy in the final bout of the Legion junior boxing tournament held at the Heelan Auditorium in Sioux City, which was sponsored by Monahan Post 64. Both Onawa and Sioux City had six boxers qualify for action in the finals. Five Sioux City entries won titles and Onawa took three.

Professional boxing in this areas has hit an all time low, mainly because of a shortage in boving promoters. There is still interest in the sport and just as many fans, along with talent which could be developed.

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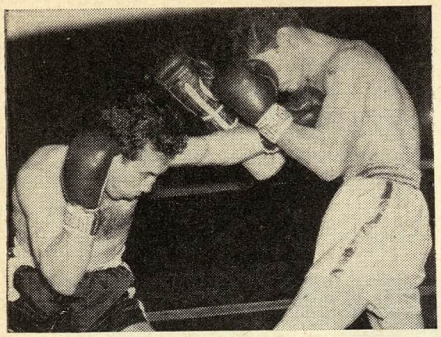

Johnny Gonsalves (right) takes a left to the body from Paddy DeMarco, during their ten rounder at Boston. Gonsalves edged out Paddy to retain his No. 1 ranking among the lightweights.

NEWS FROM CUBA

By Dr. Jorge A. Vieites

HAVANA.—Humberto (Kid Anahuac) Martinéz, México, 124¾, stopped former feathers king, Lino García, 127, in the eighth of a scheduled ten rounder. Isaac Logart, 135¾, stopped Mexican Gabriel Díaz, 134¾ pounds, also in the eighth. Promising Hector Vento, 128, stopped Luis Mesa, 127, in the second round. Humberto Castell, 119, stopped Israel Anido, 118, in 2; while José Lorenzo, 123, won in four from Félix Pomares, 123½.
Gate: $1,354.10.

Havana.—Jesús Chico Varona, 144, stopped Panamanian Clarence Sampson, 148, with a beautiful left hook in the seventh. Manuél Perdomo, 124½, and Juan Medina, 128¾, drew in ten fast rounds. Sergio Ríos, 145¾, stopped Rolando Minsal, 149¾, in one; Pedro Armenteros, 148½, won in six from Julio Maceo, 145¾; while Orlando Reyes, 116½, kayoed Luis Díaz, 117½, in three.
Gate: $1,488.40.

Havana.—Armando (El Polaco) López, 131¾, easily outpointed Larry Mujica, New Orleans, La., 130¾, scoring two knockdowns along the ten-round route.
Veteran Diego Sosa, 132, announced his retirement from the ring after losing a tenner to Dámaso Collazo, 130. Sosa, a warrior of 17 years in the ring, won and lost with the fastest company, among them many world champions and stars, such as, Sandy Saddler, Harold Dade, Luis Castillo, Humberto Sierra, Ralph Dupas, Jackie Graves, Humberto Espinosa, and many others. He's being appointed boxing instructor at an Official Boxing Academy by the Government.
Roland (La Plancha) Rodríguez, 137, was held to a six-round draw, by Eladio Vívez, 137½.
Oscar Suárez, 106, stopped Rolando Urrutia, 105½, in three; while Israel Anido, 117¾, won in four from Humberto Díaz, 117.
Gate: $807.50.

Havana.—Antonio (Puppy) García, 127, got the surprise of his life when he was stopped in four rounds by Jimmy Cooper, 123½, Wash., D. C., after leading in the first two rounds.
Another undefeated youngster was stopped in two rounds, from a well delivered left, when Enrique Lamelas fell to Mexican Kid Anánuac, who came in at 126¼, Lamelas, 127¾.
Héctor Vento, 126, won in six from Gervasio Rodríguez, 125; Angel Gómez, 122¼, won in four from José Lorenzo, 123¾, while Vic Moré, 120¼, and Humberto Castell, 118¾, drew in four.
Gate: $7,430.

Havana.—Cuban Heavyweight champion, Omelio Agramonte, 197, stopped American James Walls, 180, in the fifth, of a scheduled tenner.
Cuban lightweight champion, Rafael Lastre, 134½, was held to a ten-round draw, in a non-title bout, by Basilio García, 135½.
Cuban flyweight champion, Amado Mir, 110¼, came up from the floor twice and then sent Leo Silegas four times to the canvas to get an eight-round unanimous verdict in a non title bout also. Silegas weighed 112¾.
Martín Rodríguez, 123¼, stopped Benjamín Rodríguez, 118, in one, while Enrique Fernández, kayoed Israel Anido, 117, in six. Fernández weighed 118½.
Gate: $1,628.20.

Havana.—Chico Varona, 146½, won as he pleased in ten from Mexican Julio C. Jiménez, 143½.
Orlando Reyes, 117, won in 8, from Orlando Castillo, 120¼. Fernando Silva, 128¾, kayoed Julián Allen, 128¾, in three; Julio Mederos, 191¾, stopped Juan Naranjo, 180¼, in one; while Omar Suárez, 130¾, won in four from Félix Torres, 130.
Gate: $856.90.

Havana.—Manuel Perdomo, 124¼, won eight out of ten, from Tony Say, 127, France, and scored several knockdowns to clinch the fight. Cirilo Gómez, 153½, lost his first pro fight when he was stopped by Lázaro Hiturriza, 155, in five.
Eladio Vívez, 137, won in six from Nilo Blanco, 134; Armando Labarrere, 124¼, drew in four with Roberto Herrera, 122¾, and Angel Gómez, 124½, won in four from Gene García, 125.
Gate: $332.20.

Havana.—Armando Martínez, 138½, won easily in ten from Gabriel Díaz, 138¼, México.
Manuel Herrera, 136, won in eight from Marcelino Quintana, 132½; Al Triana, 124½, won in six from Arnald Quiñones, 123½; Oscar Suárez, 107¾, stopped Tomás Zulueta, 113, in three; and Julio Carrera, 158½, won in four from René Andio, 160.
Gate: $494.90.

Havana.—Armando López, 130½, stopped Jimmy Burns, Miami, 130, in eight, of a scheduled ten rounder.
Martín Rodríguez, 125¾, scored a TKO in three over Armando Labarrere, 125¼.
Enrique Fernández, 119½, drew with Israel de Armas, 119½, in six; Armando Díaz, 106, won in four, from Armando Dubochet, 104; Frank Torres, 160, won in four from Pedro Stennett, 155.
Gate: $558.10.

Havana.—Juán Martínez, 128¼, KO'd Chevo de la Torre, México, 124, in four.
Orlando Castillo, 120½, and Emilio de la Rosa, 121¾, México, drew in ten; Fernando Silva, 129½, won in ten from Luis Contreras, México, 126½; Miguel Díaz, 145, stopped Angel R. Mora, 147, in one, and Julio Maceo, 147¾, stopped Gerry Cañizares, 153, in two.
Gate: $710.10.

Havana.—Cuban welterweight champion, Kid Charolito, 151, stopped Johnny Chaney, Miami, 147¾, in 18 seconds of the first round with a terrific right uppercut.
Oscar Suárez, 109¾, won in eight from Orlando Rodríguez, 112; Eladio Vívez, 137¾, won in six from Rolando Becker, 138½; Santiago Ramírez, 130¾, and Marcelino Quintana, 132, drew in six; while, Rolando Rodríguez, 136¾, stopped Aurelio Martínez, 136, in two.
Gate: $435.80.

Havana.—Kid Anáhuac, México, 124¾, after fighting five furious rounds with Jimmy Cooper, Washington, D. C., 124¼, delivered a terrific left hook followed by a right hander, and kayoed Cooper in 18 seconds of round six.
Promising Héctor Vento, 128½, won easily in eight from Gervasio Rodríguez, 124¼.
Manuel García, 125½, won in six from Nelson Rodríguez, 127½; Humberto Castell, 119¾, kayoed Arnaldo Quiñones, 123¾, in two; while José Lorenzo, 123¾, won in four from Félix Pomares, 126.
Gate: $4,964.90.

Havana.—Basilio García, 135, drew in ten with Lesmes Echevarría, 134.
Enrique Fernández, 117¾, kayoed Leo Silegas, 114¾, in five; Reemberto Abreu, 133, stopped Pedro Vega, 131, in 2; José Luis Zúñiga, 106½, won in 4, from Armando Díaz, 106, and Idilio Velázquez, 124½, and Iraudi Prior, 124½, drew in four.
Gate: $182.50.

Havana.—Cuban featherweight champion, Ciro Morasém, 121¼, won all ten rounds from Emilio de la Rosa, México, 123½.
Juan Martínez, 127¼, did the same to Enrique de la Cruz, México, 127¼, also in ten rounds.
Manuel Perdome, 125½, was deprived of a sure win when his bout with Mexican Luis Contreras, 127¼, was called a draw in ten.
José Orta Pacheco, 123, stopped José Valladares, 121, in three, while Omar Suárez, 133¼, drew in four, with Pablo Moreno, 133.
Gate: $1,053.40.

Havana.—Isaac Logart, 136¼, was lucky to get the ten-round verdict from Basilio García, 134¾, in a fast fight.
Manuel Herrera, 136¼, stopped Marino Santos, 138, in five.
Manuel García, 127¼, stopped Alf Triana, 127½, in five; José Casal, 163¾, won in four from René Andino, 163; and Leo Villafañas, 142¾, won in four from Regino Bravo, 145.
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NEWS FROM SAN ANTONIO

By Bob Ostrum

OTILLIO "ZURDO" GALVAN, 118, a southpaw, bantamweight, from Saltillo, Mexico, won the Texas bantamweight championship, when he scored a unanimous 15-round decision over James "Buddy" Baggett, 115, of Dallas. It was an action-packed battle all the way, but the 118-pounder from south-of-the border won by a wide margin.
A partisan crowd of 1,538 cheered Galvan's victory. The best Baggett got from the officials was one round and seven even on one judges card.
Alex Santoy, 119, San Antonio, knocked out Baby Alaniz, 121, Houston, in the sixth round; Joe Herrera, 138, Matamoras, Mex., won a six-round decision over Lotho Sligar, 136, scored a TKO over Tony Castillo, 142, San Houston; Johnny Mills, 146, San Antonio, Antonio, in the third round and Rocky Smith, 146, Beaumont, won a four-round decision over Bebe Garcia, 151, San Antonio.

Among the more promising young fighters around San Antonio today are Tunney Hunsacker, a heavyweight stationed at Lackland A.F.B., and Alex Santoy, a bantamweight who only recently turned pro.
Tunney has continued to improve steadily, winning a couple of knockouts in fights in Dallas. Santoy, an ex-Marine who has had only six pro fights, looks better every time he steps into the ring. He scored an upset when he battered rugged Pete Huizar for a unanimous six-round decision and then continued undefeated when he whipped the veteran Manny Cammarillo and then knocked out hard-hitting Baby Alaniz. He's a good boxer and will bear watching.

BOXING IN PANAMA

By Juan N. Copeland

PROMOTER CURRO DOSMAN gave the fans a fine card at the Arena Colon. Isidro Martinez took on the once-rated Juan Diaz II and Juan was knocked out in the sixth round. Martinez dropped him in the second round for a nine count, battered him around through the following stanzas and knocked him as cold as a block of ice in the sixth. This was Martinez' twelfth win in 12 pro starts. Juan Diaz II was recently kayoed by the Venezuelan bantamweight champion, Zoni Leon, in Caracas.
In a lightweight match, Sylvester Wallace of Panama kayoed Kid Allen of Colon in the sixth round.
Panama Ray Robinson stopped Al Steward in the fifth round. They are featherweights.

Marcial Molinar won a four-round decision over Ralton Lewis, both boys making their pro debuts. About 1,000 fans paid $1,500 to witness the show.

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COVERING WESTERN CANADA

By Benny Wilson

CALGARY'S battling southpaw fighter, Ernie Kemick, 135, posted a clear-cut 10-rounds unanimous decision over ex-champion Harold Dade, 133, at Calgary.

In the semi, billed for six rounds, Gene Erickson of Kinuso won by TKO in the fourth round over Eddie Smith of Calgary. They are heavyweights. In another heavyweight bout over four rounds, George (Black Jack) Smith, of Calgary, was awarded a TKO in the third round over Doer Ludwig, of Calgary. Murray Vinje, Calgary, won unanimous decision over Mickey Walker in four. Both are Calgary lightweights. Another pair of local welters, Bobby Ritchie and Jimmy Wouters, clashed in the opener, with Ritchie getting a four-round decision.

Ernie Kemick was brought back into action and was matched with welterweight Johnny Salkeld, former Calgary fighter. Salkeld won by TKO at 18 seconds of the third round.

The semi-windup of six rounds was won by Buddy Rimmer, over Murray Vinje. Both are lightweights of Calgary. Norbert Seigfried, Calgary, and Dave Cassidy, Calgary, put on a four-round battle, with Seigfried just earning the decision. Walter Petrigo went through another four rounder with Frank Kuhen, the decision going to Petrigo. Bobby Ritchie gave Jimmy Wouters a drubbing over four rounds to gain the decision. Both are welterweights. Buster Keaton beat another local, Jackie Williamson, in the four round opener.

At Edmonton, Canadian heavyweight champion, Earl Walls, 193, got a very disputed decision over Joe Kahut, 187, veteran Oregon heavyweight, in a good ten-rounds bout.

The semi-final between two welterweights, Jerry Fraser, Ponoka, and Tuppy Tyler, Edmonton, was a good six-rounder, with Fraser getting the unanimous decision. Pietro Alessandrini, 199, kayoed Jock MacLean, 200, in 27 seconds of the second round. Both of Edmonton. Teddy Herrington, 144, Edmonton, won over Ken Grover, 147, Edmonton; Kid Sinclair, 170, Slave Lake, scored split decision over Eddie Mazur, 167, Edmonton.

An Ernie Farr promoted fight card at the Calgary Victoria Pavilion drew only 1200 fans, in which the main event of ten rounds brought together two Vancouverites, Lou Lawrence, claimant to the Western middleweight title and Bill Brenner. Lawrence gained a unanimous decision.

The semi-final over six rounds featured Joe Shoemaker, of Fresno, Calif., and another local middleweight, Irish Jimmy Nolan, who packed it in, a short while back, and joined the Army. Irish Jimmy won by a fourth-round knockout. Skippy Schlamehorn won over Walter Petrigo in a four-round welterweight preliminary. Bantamweights Jersey Joe Edwards and Emil Flamond fought four rounds with Flamond gaining an unpopular decision. Jimmy Wouters scored a TKO over Ted McKane in the third round of a welterweight bout.

Earl Walls, 194, of Windsor, Ont., Canadian heavyweight champion, registered another quick win at the Gardens, Edmonton; when he put a closure to the aspirations of Salt Lake City's Jack Nelson, 191, at 2:09 of the first round. Nelson made the Canadian miss with several left hooks but allowed himself to be caught with a right swing which landed high on his left temple, and he was counted out.

The semi-final over eight rounds went the distance with cagey old Vern Escoe, 185, of Toronto and Edmonton, getting the unanimous decision against Chuck Woodworth, 175, of Salt Lake City. Pietro Alessandrini, 195, Edmonton, stopped Gene Ericson, 195, Kinuso, in the second round. Calgary's Norm Sigfried, 157, took a pasting from Edmonton's Jackie Headon, 157, and lost a six-round decision. Bantamweight Bobby Bacon, Edmonton, grabbed a four rounds win over Jersey Joe Edwards. Kid Sinclair, 174, Slave Lake, also earned a four rounds win over Jack McLean, 185, Edmonton.

The gate was 5,100 and receipts totalled $10,000.

CANADIAN MARITIME NEWS

By C. Steele

THE fistic season opened at Glace Bay, Nova Scotia, when Yvon Durelle, 160, of New Brunswick, was awarded a twelve-round TKO victory over George Ross, 159, of West Bay, N. S.

The bout was fairly even for five rounds when Durelle threw off the wraps and from the sixth on he made a punching bag out of the courageous Ross, who received the worst thumping of his career and was helpless on the canvas when referee John McLean stopped the massacre in the final round. The bout was sanctioned by the Canadian Boxing Federation to decide a champion for the vacant Canadian middleweight title.

Al Hogan, 175, New Waterford, N. S., stopped Cecil Grey, 190, of Halifax, in round three.

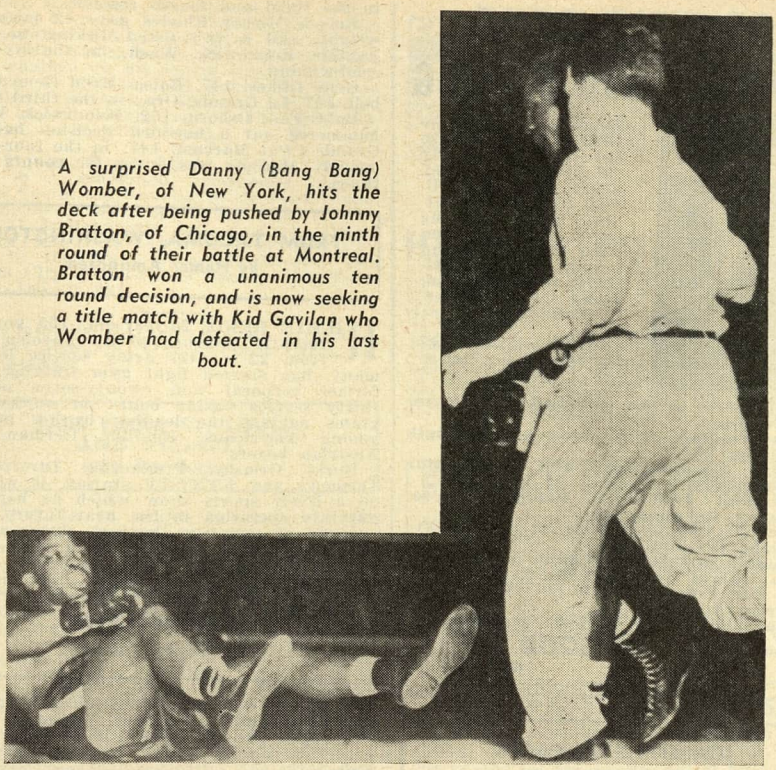
Ernie McKinnon, Low Point, scored a TKO over Jimmy Graham of Halifax, in round three. Lightweight Mick Ryan, Whitney Pier, gained a split decision over Johnny Fraser of Halifax in three rounds. Benny Randall won an unanimous decision outpunching Young Sampson in three rounds, both scaled 129.

Bobby Grace, 136, Bridgewater, shaded Keith Pairz, 149, New Glasgow, in a crowd pleasing, ten-round bout at the Bridgewater, N. S. Memorial Arena.

The fight of the night saw Ray Jefferson, of Bridgewater, score a split decision over Le-Roy Jones, Halifax, in eight rounds.

Slugger Weagle scored an unanimous decision over Sonny Jefferson, of Bridgewater, in four rounds, and Buddy Day of Halifax, stopped Kid Nicholson, of Yarmouth, in round one.

KO Malley, Chatham, won via TKO over George Clarke of the R.C.A.F. in round three, both scaled 145. Buddy MacDonald, 118, of Chatham, and Reggie Jardine, of Quarryville, fought a four-round draw.



A surprised Danny (Bang Bang) Womber, of New York, hits the deck after being pushed by Johnny Bratton, of Chicago, in the ninth round of their battle at Montreal. Bratton won a unanimous ten round decision, and is now seeking a title match with Kid Gavilan who Womber had defeated in his last bout.

NEW ORLEANS AND THE SOUTH

By "Broadway" Johnny Cox

RALPH DUPAS, 138¼, New Orleans, scored a six-round knockout of the main event staged by the newly formed New Orleans Boxing Club, Inc., at the Coliseum Arena. Dupas' victim was Pete Tote Martinez, 139¾, Stockton, Calif.

Dupas started landing body punches to the California fighter in the fourth round and in the sixth round Dupas cornered Martinez on the ropes and nailed him with left and right hand uppercuts, one hitting Martinez's adam's apple and the Mexican was floored and counted out.

The eight-round semi-final between Harvey Fellon, New Orleans middleweight, and Tobe (Barefooted) Harris, cut and shoot, Tex., was halted in the fourth round by Referee Francis Kerchavel, who ruled it no contest.

Hector Bacuetes, 133½, Algiers, La., scored a four-round kayo over rough and tough Doug Elwood, 129¾, Baton Rouge, La. The fight was one of the best four-round preliminaries witnessed here in many months.

Carlos Savedra, New Orleans, 127¾, scored a four-round unanimous decision over Tony Ruiz, Houston, Tex., 127¾. Alvin Boudreaux, Westwego, La., was awarded a four-round verdict over George Roman, New Orleans, 145.

Allen Lacombe has three businessmen here financing his new deal for boxing fans in Carl Liller, operator of the Melody Lounge; who is president; Leonard Gunzberg, secretary-treasurer; and Barney Smith, vice-president.

Another boxing club has been formed here, called the Pelican Boxing Club. Bonnie Geigerman, former co-manager of Bernard Docusen, is matchmaker and Lloyd Engeran, promoter. They plan on staging at least one attractive fight per month.

Johnny Cesario, 147, Hartford, Conn., veteran, decisioned Willie Pastrano, 148, by a split eight-round decision.

Rocky Randell, 134¼, a real preliminary club fighter, hailing from Tampa, Fla., scored his second win over Frankie Speed, 130¾, in the six-round semi-final. Speed was floored for nine in the second heat.

Doug Elwood, 130, Baton Rouge, La., and Mike Turcotte, 127, New Orleans, fought a four-round draw.

Hector Bacuetes, Algiers, La., 136¼, scored a three-round kayo over Lou Perez, Houston, Tex., 145½. Bon Robinson, Tampa, Fla., 154½, decisioned Al Boudreaux, Westwego, La., 145¾, in another four.

Alvin Pellegrini, 146½, New Orleans, was lucky to receive a ten-round draw with cagey Johnny Cesario, 147¼, Hartford, Conn., staged by Promoter Heard Ragas at the Coliseum Arena.

Frankie Speed, 131½, New Orleans, scored a four-round TKO over Ed Jennings, local rival, 131½. Alvin Boudreaux, Westwego, La., 147½, won a unanimous four-round verdict over Pete A'Costa, New Orleans, 147½.

Carlos Savedra, 128¾, scored a two-round kayo over "Tootsie" Cowboy Cantrell, Arabi, La., 130¾, in a four. Al Jennings, 110, making his money bow, decisioned Mario Cruz, New Orleans, 113.

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IDAHO FISTIC FACTS

By Hugh Sutton

A SPARSE crowd attended a top notch card, promoted by Cliff Thiede, at the Idaho Falls Armory. In the main event, Edgardo Jose Romero, 222, of La Pampa, Argentina, scored a thrilling two-round KO over game, but outclassed Marvin Baker, 186, San Francisco, Calif.

Romero used his great weight advantage to rough Baker up in the clinches and infighting. A booming right cross to the whiskers dropped Baker in the opening stanza and he was "saved by the bell", at the nine count. The second frame opened with both men firing their heavy weapons, but a crisp left hook put Baker on the deck for another nine count. Baker arose on wobbly legs, and ran into another crashing left hook that left him flat on his back for the fatal ten-count.

The Parma, Idaho, strong-boy, Harley Breshears, 176, pulled the chestnuts out of the fire to score a clean cut KO over more experienced Dean Anderson, 171, Rexburg, Idaho, in three rounds.

Anderson put Breshears on the deck early in the initial round. Breshears concentrated on a body attack in the second stanza and there were several thrilling toe-to-toe exchanges. Then the bulky Breshears looped in a sweeping left hook to Anderson's jaw that floored the Rexburg battler for a nine-count.

The third chapter of this donnybrook opened with both tossing bombs with both mitts. A Breshears propelled right cross dropped Anderson for another nine-count and again Anderson came up swinging from his heels, but a well-timed left jab followed by a terrific right cross to Anderson's chin brought down the final curtain.

In the four-round special event Harley Towne, 153½, Idaho Falls, took a very unpopular decision over lanky Gene Dilkes, 147, Boise, after a fast moving hard punching battle.

Warren Culver, 135, Boise, blasted an explosive right cross to kayo John Jackson, 138, Boise, in the first round.

Salt Lake City.—Jack McCarthy's initial promotion, held at the Fairgrounds Coliseum, was a success when his card drew in 1,000 fight fans.

Chuck Woodworth, Brigham Young University student, carved out a slim decision over the seasoned Jack Nelson, in a ten rounder.

Nelson always came out on top in the infighting, while Woodworth was the master at long range.

Paulie Perkins won the decision over Kenny Nichols, Boise.

Mickey Rhodes, Boise, decisioned Kid Leon.

Don Ernston, the young lightweight of Salt Lake, stopped Indian Kee Sosis, Brigham, in the second. Freddie Gallegos, 140, Salt Lake City, decisioned Gene Dilkes, 151, Boise.

La Grande, Ore., Armory.—Indian Dick Wolf, 162, Portland, won a unanimous decision over Ken Nichols, 163, Boise, in a ten-rounder. Nichols was down for long counts in the third and fourth rounds.

Boise's Mickey Rhodes gave 12 pounds in weight, and a two fisted licking to Chico Aguilar, Kennewick, Wash., in the six-round semi-windup.

Gene Dilkes, 147, Boise, KO'd Gene Campbell, 147, La Grande, Ore., in the third round.

Baby Face Osborn, 152, Kenniwick, Wash., hammered out a lopsided decision over La Grande's Pat Marcum, 147, in the four-round opener. Marcum was down for counts three times.

FROM TACOMA, WASHINGTON

By Homer Amundsen

RICHIE REED, 20-year-old, 155 pounder, recently returned to his Tacoma home from 22 months army service in Germany, has started light gym training. The former corporal won twenty-seven out of thirty service boxing bouts on service programs against the leading leather pushers among Americans, English, German, and Austrian boxers.

Burke Ormsby, Production Director of Tacoma's new KTNT-TV station, is working on a lively sports show which he hopes to put into operation in the near future.

Lack of amateur boxing clubs around Washington state, is very much felt. There are signs of lack of young material.

SPOKANE NEWS

By Donna Rhodes

IN Jack Power's Kennewick Chinese Gardens Arena show, Billy Carter, Vancouver light-heavyweight, whipped 190-lb. Dave Tittman, of Walla Walla, in eight gruelling rounds.

In the semi, Joey Shoemaker of Spokane cooled Dave's brother Wally in the third heat. They were middleweights. Kid Aguilar, Kennewick lightweight, stopped Spokane's Jackie Frost in the third round, and Chuck Ciocca, Fairchild Airbase welterweight, shaded Indian Willie Boyd in four rounds, while Wilf Desjardins flattened Lute Baxter in a lightweight battle, which ended in the third. Full house of 800 plus some standees was well satisfied.

At the Chinese Gardens Arena, Powers came up with a slam-bang affair that the local press called the best card of a very successful indoor season. Scores were turned away and in one half of double main events Al (Pinkie) Cowan won a split decision over Pappy Brown of Portland in a lightweight fracas. The other half of the main was the donnybrook that left them limp; Kid Aguilar, 133, Kennewick, and Jimmy Grow of Lewiston staged a pier sixer that was finally declared a draw. Grow suffered a broken nose and Aguilar had both eyes cut at the finish.

In Tex Hager's Spokane Armory show, Bangin' Bobby Woods, 133, came through in his lightweight debut with a sizzling upset win over veteran Joe Velez, 138. Bobby cooly and calmly cut the dead-game Velez down to size and in the closing rounds handed the Seattle veteran a beating. Only a big heart and strong body and chin saved Velez as he hung on desperately in the late rounds.

Wild Wilf Desjardins of Calgary clobbered futile Hal George in the third round of a welterweight mismatch; Dixon Hoxie, 145, knocked out Lute Baxter, 147, in the second round; Sid Russell stopped overmatched but game Baby Face Osborne in two heats of a middleweight four; and green Harley Breshears, 176, stopped greener and awkwarder Wally Tittman in three. Sugar Lee, Seattle middleweight, decisioned game and tough Chico Aguilar in six rounds.

See you next month guys—my address is 410 West Riverside.

COLORADO'S CLOUTERS

By Herb Allen

THE first pro show held in Colorado for months came off at Pueblo, with Santiago Esteban, (Ruben Santistevan), 135, Walsenburg, Colorado, winning a unanimous ten-round decision over the Texas lightweight champ, Al Juergens, in the maingo. Juergens put up a game scrap but was out-hustled by the classy Esteban.

The semi-final found Jasper (Banana Boy) Colson, 168, Denver, remaining undefeated by winning a very good six rounder over the veteran Wayne Strowbridge, 165, Colorado Springs. Strowbridge couldn't cope with Colson's speed, class, and punch.

The best bout saw Paulie Smith, 130, Denver, pound out a decisive four-round victory over previously unbeaten Joe Morena, 130, Pueblo. Morena climbed off the canvas twice during the argument and tried hard, but he was just no match for the hard punching Smith who is a real comer.

Johnny (Red) Fisher, 139, Pueblo, grabbed a pier-sixer over Andy Maes (The Wild Bull of the Rockies), in the first of their four fights that evening. Their second occurred after the final bell rang ending the bout when they continued to mix it up until broken by the referee, Ray Keech, along with both corner's handlers. While the gloves were being cut off, the boys went at it again, when a "crack" by Fisher prompted Maes to drop him. Still not satisfied that everything was "right" the boys continued their feud in the upstairs dressing room. Whotta night!

Fritz Brinickee, athletic director at the Colorado School of Mines, was appointed State Athletic Chairman last month. Fritz, who was former amateur middleweight champion of Colorado, is completely honest, loves boxing, and is an ideal man for the position.

K. S. (Kollie) Barnett, former fighter, sportsman, promoter, and very successful business man in Denver, died last month following a brief illness. "Kollie", who literally started at the bottom, was responsible for many of the top shows brought to Denver in the past.

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NOTES FROM PITTSBURGH AND WEST VA.

By Mickey Davies

FAYETTEVILLE, W. VA.—Ross Calvin, 135, Nashville, defeated Dick Armstrong, 134, Dayton, in eight.

Portsmouth, Ohio.—Hosea Chapman, 180, Huntington, W. Va., knocked out Bob Johnson, 180, Toledo, in three rounds. Fitzie Fitzpatrick, 190, Oak Hill, W. Va., stopped Joe Turner, 212, Cincinnati, in three. Charley Howard, 155, Bronx, N. Y., kayoed Dick Vess, 154, Dayton, in one.

LOUISVILLE, KY., BOXING NEWS

By Joe Martin

BOXING here in Louisville has been at a standstill the last month. Only thing in the boxing way was a new gym, put in by Bud Bruner. He has hopes of running a club in Louisville this winter.

Sid Peaks is back with Dutch Reese and has hopes of getting back in the first ten as he was rated number four a few year's back.

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BOXING BITS FROM VIRGINIA

By Jack Levinson

SPORTS ENTERPRISE, INC., of Roanoke, with D. L. Johnston and Bob Riley as promoter and matchmaker, presented the only professional card in Virginia, before a meager crowd of 397 paid admissions.

Eddie Marshall, 167, Capital Heights, Md., scored a two-round TKO over Tex Newby, 170, Baltimore, Md. Newby was dropped in the first round and again in the second round. Tony Gallagher, 134, Baltimore, Md., surprised many ringside observers by giving Herbie (Biff) Jones, 132, Washington, D. C., plenty of trouble for the first five rounds. But the terrific punching Washington southpaw caught the youngster with a payoff punch after 31 seconds of the sixth round to register another win in his comeback.

Ernest Stephny, 162, Norfolk, made his professional debut by stopping Claude Flager, 163, Baltimore, Md., in the second round. Lucky Fitzgerald, 133, Roanoke, lost a four-round decision to Frankie Tavenner, 134, Washington, D. C. Billy Bush, 145, Norfolk, and Georgie Kurtz, 155, Baltimore, supplied plenty action in a four-round draw.

Your writer welcomes boxing information regarding boxing in Virginia. Please have news at my home before the end of the month. Thanks. My address is: 7423 W. Kenmore Drive, Norfolk, Va.

BOXING IN MONTANA AND THE FAR WEST

By "Bow Tie" Bo Grmoljez

BOXING in Montana, with Butte as the mecca of the sport, appears to be going forward since the game was revived in the mining city last fall. Doug Kirby, hard punching San Francisco lightweight, lost a very close decision to Basil Marie in a real donnybrook.

Johnny Masonovich, Butte heavyweight, punched out a unanimous decision over Ken Kass, University of Montana student, in the feature four-round prelim, while the eight-round semi-windup ended up in a hurry as Jimmy Byrnes, Seattle, nailed "Irish" Jimmy Maggert with a short, right-hand punch in the first round. Middleweight Eddie Munjer, Great Falls, stopped Billy Huff in four. Pablo Ayala, Butte, lost to Wilf Desjardins in a four-round slugfest. They are welters.

Unattached, good fighters, who are seeking work, can contact the writer at 611 East Park Street, Butte, Montana.

TOLEDO FISTIC HEADLINES

By Hal Grothjan

EZZARD CHARLES, the No. 1 heavyweight contender eked out a ten-round decision over Bill Gilliam, of Orange, N. J.

Gilliam was strong early in the bout, staggering Charles in the fourth, but Ezzard rallied in the last five rounds, closing Gilliam's eye in the ninth and flooring him in the tenth to gain the win.

In the eight-round semi-final, Rocky Casillo, young Chicago welter, withstood a late rally to split-decision veteran Charley Earley, Detroit, in a very close battle. A controversy developed in a six-round bout between Eddie Marotta, Cleveland, and Ples Gilmore, Toledo, two lightweights who staged a real war for two rounds before the boxing commission ordered Gilmore to remove bandages protecting his elbows. Gilmore's management refused and Marotta won when Gilmore was disqualified. Ples, a former Toledo amateur star, in only his second pro fight, looked very good against Marotta.

IN INDIANA RINGS

By Tony Coppi

CHUCK DAVEY, Lansing, Mich., welterweight, squeezed out a ten-round decision over veteran Sammy Mastrean, of Pittsburgh, in Ft. Wayne. The rugged Pennsylvanian forced the fighting most of the way but Davey stayed beyond reach and piled up points with his sharp counter-punching. Davey suffered a cut over his right eye in the sixth. It was the first fight in Ft. Wayne's new Memorial Coliseum, and the first in that city in six years. A crowd of nearly 6,000 was in attendance. Gross receipts $14,995.

Chuck Spieser, 173, Detroit, knocked out Sonny Wilcox, 168, Cleveland, in three rounds. Jed Black, 147, Janesville, Wis., won by a TKO over Sammy Stuart, 151, Toledo; and Billy Gordon, 158, Akron, decisioned Irish Pat Clary, 158, Toledo, in four rounds.

Tom Leeper, veteran fight mentor, now has a middleweight who hails from Salt Lake. His name is Ralph Helms. He has won fifty-nine fights, 49 by knockout, and lost only two by decision.

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KANSAS CITY AND VICINITY

By Max Yeargain

BOBBY BICKLE, 135, undefeated national and international Golden Gloves champion in 1951, chalked up his thirteenth victory, since turning to the professional ranks, when the Kansan knocked out Fernando Rivera, 139, in their second meeting at Kansas City's Municipal Auditorium in the ninth round of a scheduled ten-round main event. A savage barrage to the body tossed by Bickle halted the Kansas City Mexican.

In Promoter Jimmie Nixon's co-ten rounder Billy Suddeth, 150, Topeka, ahead on points going into the ninth round against Jimmy Welch, 153, Columbus, Ohio, sustained a cut eye and lost via a TKO when the ringside physician halted the contest at the end of the eighth.

Jimmy Hairston, 126, Kansas City won a six-round decision over Freddie Rice, 129, Indianapolis, Ind. Undefeated Jimmy Demery, 156, Sioux-Indian from Fort Dodge, Iowa, chalked up his fourth straight victory, stopping Al Horton, 158, Louisville, Ky., in the third. "Little Joe" Romano, 126, Topeka, Kans., kayoed Jackie Ingram, 125, Indianapolis, Ind., in the first round.

At Topeka, Kans., Bobby Bickle, 135, Topeka, in a scheduled ten-rounder stopped Ronnie Spain, 139, Omaha, in the third round. Billy Suddeth, 147, Topeka, halted Kirk Johnson, 155, Indianapolis, Ind., in four. Jimmy Demery, 159, iced Lawrence Rose, 160, Chicago, in the first. Fernando Rivera, 139, Kansas City downed Leo Carter, 133, Terre Haute, Ind., in five.

Mail latest boxing news to your correspondent, Max Yeargain, 2101 Potomac Drive, Topeka, Kansas.

JABS FROM ST. LOUIS AND VICINITY

By Bus Burke

THE I. B. C., which is master minded locally by Emory Jones, as promoter, and George Carson, as matchmaker, finally gave a very enterprising young fighter, Jesse Turner, 154½, of St. Louis, his great opportunity and he came through with flying colors. He defeated in great style Norman Hayes, 163, having Hayes on the floor in the first round from a hard right hand to the head. Hayes didn't seem to recover from that devastating punch until the ninth round when he began to reach Turner with both lefts and rights to the head.

In the co-featured ten rounder, Jim Bull, 159½, an old St. Louis favorite, lost a ten round decision to Major Jones, 158½, a southpaw from Kansas City. The gross gate was $2,347, with paid attendance of 1,317.

Cloyed Ketcherside, St. Louis, 147, and Bobby Anderson, Louisville, 151½, drew in four rounds. Don Smith, Louisville, 190, stopped Les Waugh, Huntington, W. Va., 223½, in the first round. Ralph Cervantes, Chicago, 137, decisioned Ross Calvin., Huntington, W. Va., 139, in six rounds.

After 21 years of service with the State Athletic Commission, in which he served in various capacities, Charley Pian has been appointed to the board and sworn in as Commissioner. Pian has always turned in favorable work as a deputy commissioner and as an acting commissioner. St. Louis is fortunate to obtain a man of his capabilities to officiate, as he is more acquainted with the work of the commission than any other man that could have been appointed by Governor Phil Donnelly. Floyd Jones, of Springfield, has been named chairman and Willis C. Thies has been named the other member of the commission.

Sammy Crow, tossed his hat into the promoters circle locally and the kick-off was on June 20, at the Missouri Stables, which are located at 5200 Berthold Ave., in St. Louis. The Stables will seat about 3,100 people and he also will operate at Walsh Stadium in the hot weather months.

The writer can be contacted by writing Bus Burke, Mid-Town Barber Shop, 110 Easton Street, DeSoto, Missouri.

SWINGS AND HOOKS FROM CENTRAL OHIO

By Less Huffman

AT Cleveland, Johnny Bratton, Chicago, met and won over Livio Minelli in a ten rounder. Rocky Castellani rated seventh among the middleweights, stopped Johnny Mack, Columbus, Ga., in 26 seconds of the first heat with a left hook to the chin.

Sugar Ray Robinson, former world welterweight and middleweight champion, was doing a song and dance act at Ben's Tavern recently and worked before a packed house.

Bobby Thompson, a good looking middleweight, who was going good around this part of the country, wrote saying he is on his way back to the States. Thompson has been with the U. S. Army in Korea for about three years.

Two new youngsters, who are making their pro debuts in this vicinity, are Richard DuBeau, a lightweight, and Frank Hill, a welterweight. The services of these two youngsters can be booked through the writer.

Frank Mastreana, of Canton, Ohio, has opened a new gymnasium. Frank is trying to revive boxing in that city.

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Ezzard Charles, former heavyweight champion, added another victory to his long string by winning handily over Billy Gilliam, Orange, N. J., in ten heats at Toledo. It was an action packed show that also had some splendid prelim fights.

Woody Lowden, who has been training the amateurs at Beaty's Center the past four years, has been replaced by Wilber Long, one-time amateur fighter here in Columbus.

Send all information on fights here in Ohio to the writer—Less Huffman, P. O. Box 611, Station G, Columbus, Ohio.

SOUTHERN OHIO JABS

By J. Jimmie Amann

HERB GILMORE, former crack featherweight, is employed at the downtown Greyhound station here in Cincy. . . . My Weekly Boxing Letter is going over big . . . you can get your one year subscription or 52 weeks release for ten bucks. . . . Use my address, 6716 Palmetto St., Cincinnati, 27, Ohio, also for managers of good fighters who want national booking contacts through this writer. . . . Tony LaRose, great welter of the late '20's is in the produce biz here and has been for years. . . . The rumor is still persistent that a small club will operate at Music Hall Arena this coming fall and winter season.

Promoters, and managers—Contact Lou Iroff, promoter at Youngstown, Ohio, care of The Arena Box 965. Lou is looking for fighters of all weights.

NEBRASKA BOXING

By Floyd Hayes

PAT O'GRADY, 158½, Omaha, journeyed to Kansas City, where he was knocked out by Billy Suddeth, 151, Topeka, in the third round.

Ronnie Spain, 136, Omaha, made a trip to Topeka, for a main event against Bobby Bickle, 135, Kansas City, and lost by TKO, being unable to answer the bell for round three due to a badly injured optic.

Remember to get your news in my hands by the second of each month. The writer's address is 3414 South 25th Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

IN AND AROUND CHICAGO
By Lenny Myers

AT Rainbo Arena in an eight-round feature event, Johnny Valentine, 135, Detroit, won a clean cut decision over Ronnie Stribling, 134, Cedar Rapids, in a thriller. Valentine, a fast clever boxer who seems like a good prospect, had Stribling puzzled with his two fisted style of boxing.

Sammy Rogers, 142, Benton Harbor, eked out a close eight-round duke over Charley Earley, 144, Detroit. Eddie Simms, 165, Chicago, scored a knockout in the fourth round over Tommy Leedle, 165, Detroit. Ernie Mosely, 149, Benton Harbor, knocked out Tommy Swan, 151, Chicago, in the third round. Chuck Syers, Wichita heavyweight, won a four rounder from Harold Tablege, Chicago, in a tame affair.

Chicago Park District Commissioner John Levin, better known as "Little Jack", has been awarded, by his many friends around the windy city, a citation. Little Jack has not missed a fight in Chicago for the past fifty years. An affair in Little Jack's Restaurant was given with all of the top boxing people attending.

Boxing his first main event proved too soon for Chicago's Tommy Maddox, 135, as he was dropped to the canvas and beaten in eight rounds by Jimmy Hackney, 136, Philadelphia, at the Rainbo Arena.

Johnny Brown, 150, Chicago, beat Al Hauser, 151, Philadelphia, in the six-round semi-final. Gil Slater, 122, Chicago, and Crawford Adams, 121, Chicago, went four fast rounds to a draw. Henry Schneider, 168, New Orleans, beat Vernon Roberts, 165, Chicago, in four rounds. Kenny Lane, 139, Grand Rapids, Michigan, won over Johnny Walls, 141, Chicago in four fast rounds.

The International Boxing Club presented another World Championship bout at the Chicago Stadium, this time for the heavyweight title. The end came at 2:25 of the first round. Rocky Marciano hit Jersey Joe Walcott with a wide left hook on the side of the head followed by a sweeping right uppercut that dropped him to the canvas, where he sat until the referee finished his ten count. Jersey Joe got up just as the ten count was completed. Here are the facts and figures of the title bout. Gross gate—$331,795; net gate, $253,462.37; television revenue, $300,000, total net, $553,462.37; Marciano's share, $166,038.60; Walcott's share, $250,000; Balance to I.B.C., $137,423.40.

Oakland Billy Smith, heavyweight from Oakland, Calif., scored a first-round knockout over Chicago's Billy Noble. Willie Wilson, Providence, R. I. heavyweight, knocked out Matt Anderson, Camden, N. J., in the third heat. Bob Saterfield, Chicago heavyweight, iced Murray Bernette, Chicago, in the third round. Dave Ragas, heavyweight from Milwaukee, scored a clean knockout over Chuck Syers, Wichita heavyweight, in the fourth round. Ray Wilding, London, England, heavyweight, won a six-round decision over Keene Simmons, Bayonne, N. J. heavyweight.

Rainbo Arena.—Promoter Irv Schoenwald brought in Chico Pacheco, 160, from Miami, Fla., to meet Young King Solomon (Nenos Soloman), 157, Chicago, in an eight-round feature. This bout proved a slam banger all the way with both boys trading punches the entire eight rounds, Soloman winning.

Leroy Miller, 162, Chicago, knocked out James Burke, 164, Milwaukee, in the second heat. A left hook to the stomach did the trick. Wilbur Dilley, 176, Milwaukee, scored a fast one-round KO over Ted Alexander, 180, Chicago. Vernon Roberts, 151, Gary, Ind., beat Phil Williams, 152, Chicago, in four heats. George Reed, 125, Milwaukee, won a four-round decision over Crawford Adams, 122, Chicago.

Rainbo Arena.—In a nationally televised Saturday night presentation, Carmine Fiore, 143, New York, won a ten-round decision over Archie (Chief) Whitewater, 145, Oakland, Calif. The bout was a thriller all the way, with both boys putting forth action every round.

In the eight-round semi-final, Bobby Boyd, 160, Chicago, won a thriller from Pedro Gonzales, 159, Pittsburgh. Tommy Maddox, 139, Chicago, and Ernie Moseley, 142, Benton Harbor, went six fast rounds to a draw. Kenny Lane, 134, Muskegon, won a fast four spot over Clarence Kelly, 135, South Bend.

At Rainbo Arena.—Continuing his winning ways Valdo Fusaro, 139, Milan, Italy, won a thrilling eight-round decision over Sammy Rogers, 142, Benton Harbor. Rogers was decked in the third and eighth rounds. Lorenzo Garcia, 137, Toledo, won a six-round decision over Ralph Cervantes, 138, Rockford, Ill. Davey Moore, 126, Springfield, Ohio, who was the 1952 Bantamweight Olympic Champion, won a four-round decision over Ralph Capone, 129½, Chicago. Moore had his opponent down for a nine count in the first round. Gil Slater, 122, Chicago, won a four-round decision over Willy Dillon, 121, Benton Harbor, in a fast bout. Benny Thomas, Chicago heavyweight, won in five rounds from Neil Welch, Toledo heavyweight.

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FISTIC HEADLINES IN MICHIGAN
By Jack Waina

LESTER FELTON, classy Detroit welterweight contender, handed Joey Greenwood, of Akron, a blistering battering before taking an easy, but interesting, eight-round decision over the courageous Buckeyer, at the State Fairgrounds, as part of an enlarged presentation of the weekly Motor City Fights, which drew 6,689 fans who paid a gross of $9,422 and a net of $11,284.

Felton spotted Greenwood the first couple of rounds. But Lester soon warmed up to the task and repeatedly stunned his opponent with hard, stinging left jabs and solid right crosses, as he pleased thereafter.

Pat Lowry, 149, Toledo, was easily defeated by Al Andrews, 156, Chicago. Although not much of a puncher, Andrews made up for it with good use of a fast jab and had Lowry looking like a novice throughout the eight rounds.

Chuck Spieser, 174, Detroit, showed a good left hand in winning over Lalu Sabotin, 171, Warren, Ohio, in eight. The last eight of the evening found John Holman, 199, Chicago, decisively stopping George Powell, 186½, Detroit, in three.

In four rounders, Billy Sydney, 150, Detroit; and Bob Evans, 158, Detroit, made Toronto, outpointed Billy Christiana, 158, his pro debut by defeating crude Vic Condict, 156, Dayton.

Charley Cotton, Toledo middleweight, who was once a very popular lad around these parts, returned from the service to earn a nod over Chuck Coleman, 163, Detroit, in eight rounds at the Motor City Arena. In the co-feature, Allie Gronik, 145½, Lincoln Park, defeated Norman Webb, 145½, Chicago. Gronik was downed in the first for an eight count, but arose and came back strong.

Henry Jones' classy lightweight, Frank O'Neal, earned his way to a verdict over John Barnes, former N.A.A.U. champion, who had been undefeated, in an action packed four. Frank August, 150, Pontiac, won over John Hendricks, 154, Detroit, in four; and Harold Bohn, 147, Windsor, stopped Dick Geib, 145, Dayton, in two rounds.

Allan Moody, 148, Chicago, a highly regarded prospect, made his first start here by defeating Allie Gronik, 146, Lincoln Park, in an eight rounder at the Motor City Arena. Moody had his hands full as Gronik never gave up and almost pulled the decision out of the fire with a late rally.

Another eight, had Mickey Mars, 130, Cleveland, outpointing Tony Spano, 131, Chicago. Irish Bob Finnerty, Cleveland, decisioned welter Frankie August, Pontiac, in a four; and the often knocked out Dick Vess, of Dayton, was unable to answer the bell for the second round against Detroiter Bob Evans.

An excellent exhibition of ring generalship was given 4,881 fans, who chipped in a gross of $11,669.80, and countless TV viewers, by Johnny Saxton, 147¾, New York, as he won over Joe Miceli, 147½, New York, in a ten rounder offered by the I.B.C. at the Olympia Stadium.

Saxton was slow to start as Miceli came out in the opening round throwing his good left hook and uppercut around freely. After that, Johnny took the play away from his opponent, banging away effectively with both hands. Saxton's punches were sharp and fast, causing Miceli plenty of trouble. Saxton solved Miceli's publicized left handed punches and had little to worry about in regards to Joe's ineffective right, while on the other hand Johnny had little trouble scoring against Miceli when he opened up. The sixth was taken away from Johnny for low blows, but nevertheless the decision in favor of Saxton was unanimous. For their efforts, the two were paid 25 per cent of the gate, plus $2,800 for television.

Jed Black, East Lansing welterweight, TKO'd Rusty Cleek, of Indianapolis, in a crowd pleaser that ended when the latter was unable to answer the bell for the sixth; Ringo Harris, 190½, Detroit, won a split decision over Martin Lee, 214, Chicago, in six; Bobby Jarvis, 146¼, Kansas City, outpointed Nate Husky, 142¾, Detroit, in six; John Valentine, 132½, Detroit, beat Chet Wiley, 137½, Detroit, in six; and Johnny White, 155, Detroit, stopped his fellow townsman, Wardell Brown, 159½, in the second.

Carl Coates, Baltimore lightweight, spoiled Dave Rollins', of Detroit, return to the ring as he dropped him twice to the canvas before being awarded a TKO at 53 seconds of the fifth round. Rollins had a bad cut over his right eye. Nate Brooks, Cleveland featherweight, won a split decision over Eddie Crawford, of Akron, in six; and in another bout of the same distance, Jim (Red) Elby, Toledo middleweight, broke a four-bout losing streak at the Motor City Arena, by going to a standstill with Bob Evans, of Detroit.

Vic Condict, Dayton middleweight, entered the ring for his bout with Billy Sinn, of Detroit, with a bad case of sun burn. So after being roughed up by rugged Sinn, Condict had to retire at 2 minutes 15 seconds of the second, when in pain from tender shoulders. In a four, Willie Wilkerson, Detroit heavyweight, easily defeated Jerry Locke, Dayton.

BEHIND THE HEADLINES. — Harold Lyons has returned from a five month layoff, in which he built himself up into a welterweight.

I have been requested to announce that the contract of welterweight Lester Felton has been bought by Eugene (Buzzy) Maday and hereafter will be under Maday's own personal management. . . . Featherweight Nicky Opris (KO Morgan Jr.) was back in the gym, only this time laboring with a hammer and nails instead of the gloves. Nicky is an excellent carpenter. . . . Former promoter Louis Markowitz, of the late '30's and early '40's, is still a very ardent follower of the sport, and can be seen at most shows.

The composer of this column, Jack Waina, may be reached at 8799 Homer Avenue, Detroit 9, Michigan, or phone VInewood 22025.

IT HAPPENED IN WISCONSIN
With Pinky Mitchell
Former World Junior Welterweight Champion

DAN BUCCERONI, of Philadelphia was awarded a TKO over Wes Bascom, of St. Louis, in the seventh round at the Milwaukee Arena, as 4,453 fans, who paid $11,022, let out an avalanche of boos that shook the big structure. After two minutes and sixteen seconds of the seventh round, which was loaded with hot exchanges that had Bascom doing most of the catching, Referee Ted Jamieson stepped between the fighters and stopped the fight although Bascom had not been knocked down. Bascom cried and pleaded with the referee to let him continue, insisting that he was not hurt.

Afterward Jamieson explained, "Bascom in my opinion was a badly beaten fighter. I didn't want to see him injured permanently in a hopeless struggle." Bucceroni had a big lead on the score cards of Jamieson and the judges at the time. His score card read, 5–2; Judge Zaidens 6–0; Judge DeCamara 5–2.

The day after the fight Referee Ted Jamieson resigned as referee. Ted has always been recognized as one of our best referees. He has acted in that capacity for 28 years.

Ted Olla, 161, Milwaukee, outpointed Jimmy Red Elby, 158, Toledo, in a savage eight rounder. Milton Scott, 135, Milwaukee, stopped Wilbur Robinson, 134½, Chicago, with a strong body attack. Cal Vernon, 179, Milwaukee, lost a five-round decision to Bennie Thomas, 183, of Chicago.

George Reed, 120½, Milwaukee, made a big hit in his pro debut by flattening Ray Flippin, 119½, Chicago, in 2:54 of the third round. Terry (Whitey) Book, 124, Milwaukee, scored a clean-cut victory over Crawford Adams, 125, Chicago, in four.

Ezzard Charles, of Cincinnati, made it ten in a row, with world champion Rocky Marciano looking on, when he knocked out Larry Watson, of Omaha, in 2:50 of the fifth round, at the Milwaukee Arena. Charles bided his time in the early rounds, sinking heavy body punches to prepare his opponent for the kill in the fifth. Watson fought back gamely throughout but did not carry enough heavy artillery for the stronger Charles. Charles weighed 184¾, Watson 175½.

Ted Olla, 161, Milwaukee, defeated Joe Leudanski, 162, Chicago, eight rounds. Dick Kerber, 145, Milwaukee, defeated Benny Uhle, 138, St. Catherine, Ont., eight rounds.

Arthur Portley, 128, Milwaukee, won by TKO over Teddy Roberts, 123, St. Louis, in the third round.

Terry Book, 124½, Milwaukee, defeated Crawford Adams, 124, Chicago, four rounds.

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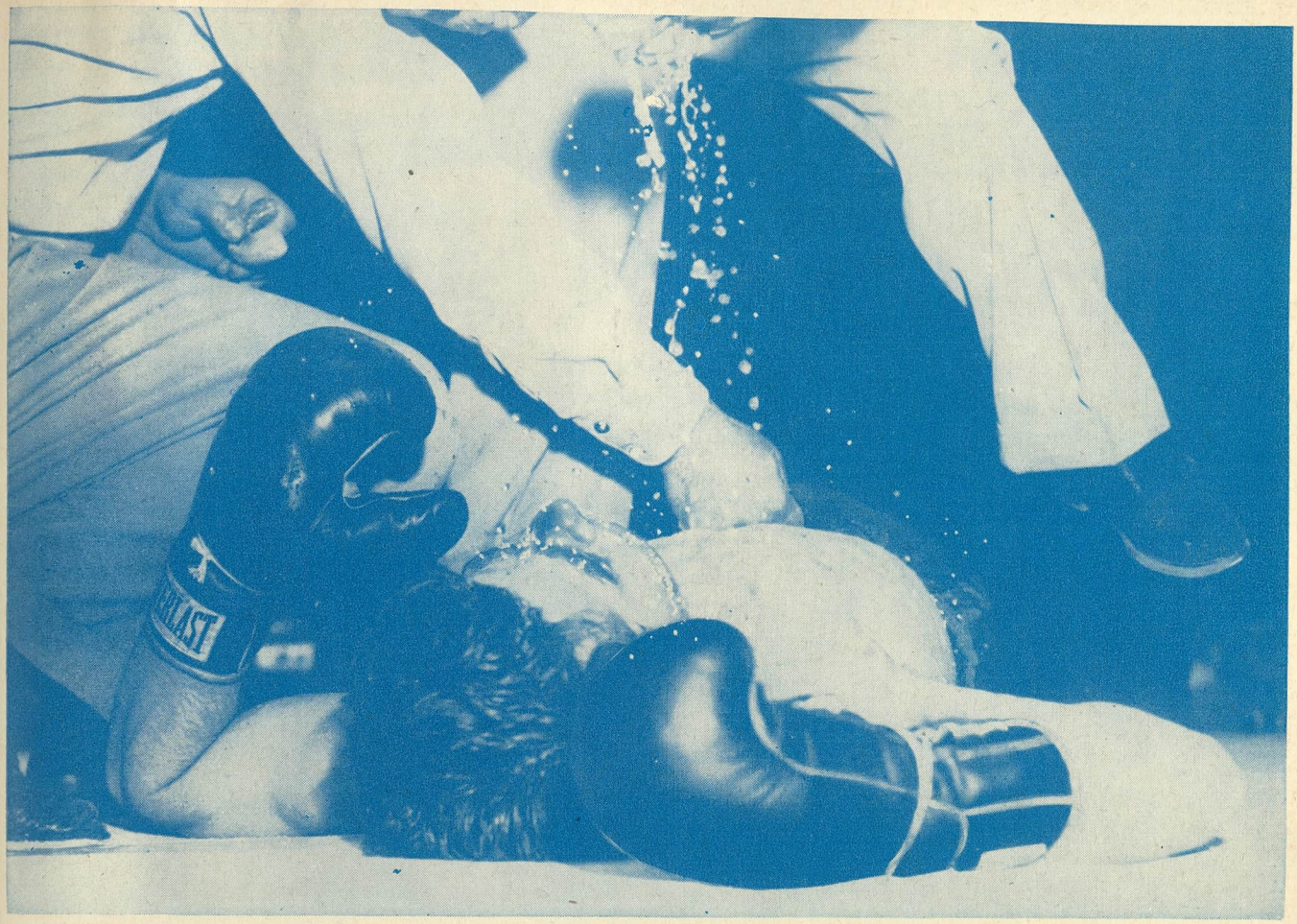

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